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Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Mint at Denver, Colorado to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, Pa. of the sum of Forty nine Thousand Four Hundred and 86/100 Dollars, ($49,400.86/100) in Gold Coin, and Five Hundred and Two 57/100 Dollars ($502.57/100,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Forty-nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Three 37/100 Dollars, ($49,903 37/100) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Mint at Denver, as shown by Memorandum dated March 18, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 21, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at St. Louis, Mo. to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Fourteen Thousand and Sixty-two 21/100 Dollars, ($14,062.21/100) in Gold Coin, and One Hundred and Seventy-three 45/100 Dollars ($173.45/100,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Fourteen Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty-five 66/100 Dollars, ($14,235.66/100) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, as shown by Memorandum dated March 18, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball, Director.

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March 21, 1889.

First Auditor
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for examination and settlement, the Ordinary expense accounts of the Assayers-in-charge of the U.S. Assay Offices at Helena & Boise City, for the month ending February 28, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

March 21, 1889.

Assayer in charge U.S. Assay Office,
Boise City, I.T.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary Expense account for the month ending February 28, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter, addressed to:

Assayer in Charge,
U.S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

March 21, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated March 18, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 23 dated March 14, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $45,029.$\frac{73}{100}$, Charges $126.$\frac{36}{100}$, and net value $44,903.$\frac{37}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 21st, 1889.

Telegram

Assayer, Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

Is the tabulated statement forwarded on the sixteenth instant for publication?

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 21, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 16th instant in relation to advances made you for the current month's expenses of your office, I desire to say that the difficulty and hardship you refer to as likely to result from the cutting down of your requisition for the month of March may easily be overcome by forwarding your requisition

for the month of March may easily be overcome by forwarding your requisition for April in time to be acted upon on the first day of the month.

It is contrary to the custom of the Department to leave unnecessarily large balances in the hands of disbursing Officers, and your requisitions have almost invariably the appearance of being made without regard to the amounts remaining in your hands as is instanced in the case of the one in question where you ask for an advance of $200. from the appropriation for Contingent expenses of your Office, when you already have on hand perhaps more than twice the amount necessary to meet your monthly expenses.

There is no objection to your making the semi-monthly advances authorized by the section of the Regulations cited by you, but if this cannot be done in the way indicated i.e. by timely requisitions instead of by carrying unusual balances the custom had better be discontinued.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 21st, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

I transmit herewith copy report of the Assayer N. Y. Assay Office upon assay coins taken from the first and two subsequent deliveries in each week at your Mint during the Month of February, 1889, and forwarded for test, as prescribed by the Regulations.

The coins were found to be within the legal limits of tolerance.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball, Director of the Mint.

(2) Two Similar letters addressed to:
Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia

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Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco.

March 21, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have received your letter of the 20th instant inclosing bids received for One Hundred (100) Barrels of Melter and Refiner's Sweeps.

Your acceptance of the bid of the Chicago and Aurora Smelting and Refining Company, viz: $5,150.- is approved

The bids are herewith returned.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

March 21, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated March 18, 1889 of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 83 dated March 16, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $14,272.14/100, Charges $36.48/100, and net value $14,235.66/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 22, 1889

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for examination and settlement, the Ordinary Expense accounts of the Assayers in charge of the U. S. Assay Offices at St. Louis & Charlotte for the month ending February 28, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

March 22, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary Expense account for the month ending February 28, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter addressed to:

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

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Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The days for receiving offers at the department for the sale of silver having been changed to Mondays and Thursdays of each week, you will please telegraph the balance and cost of silver on hand for the dollar coinage at the close of business on Wednesdays and Saturdays of each week.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

forward your statement showing the amount and cost of silver on hand purchased for the dollar coinage

March 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Sir:

If there can be found among the archives of the Mint at Philadelphia plans and specifications of machinery for the old mint at San Francisco, annexed to certain contracts with Joseph R. Curtiss dated April 15 and July 6, 1853, please transmit same by registered mail to this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

March 22d, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day at the Department by the Secretary of the Treasury for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Fourth National Bank,	50,000 Ounces,	at $0.9360
Handy & Harman,	50,000 Ounces,	at $0.9360
Haslage Colgate & Co.	50,000 Ounces,	at $0.9360

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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Telegram Confirmed

March 22, 1889.

Boston and Colorado Smelting Company,
Denver, Colo.

Your offer declined. Will accept Same at ninety-three and six tenth cents per ounce fine, for New Orleans.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Telegram Confirmed.

March 22, 1889.

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Your offer accepted.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 22, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Brandy & Carman,
24, Nassau Street
New York.

Your offer declined. Will accept & issue at ninety-three and six tenth cents, per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegram sent to:

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.,
29 Wall Street
New York.

March 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Sir:

The days for receiving offers for the sale of silver having been changed to Mondays and Thursdays of each week, you will please telegraph the rates for eight Sterling exchange in time to reach this Bureau before one o'clock P. M. on those days.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

March 23, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper Accounting Officers of the Treasury for examination and

settlement on account of the Pennsylvania Empire Line) Railway Co., for the transportation in the Month of January 1889 from Philadelphia to Chicago Ills, of Mint supplies amounting to $2.03 consigned to your care, payable from the appropriation for Contingent expenses of your Mint, fiscal year 188[illegible]. Duplicate bill and B/L herewith.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 23, 1889

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena Mon.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper accounting Officers of the Treasury for examination and settlement, an account of the Northern Pacific Railway Co., for the transportation in the Month of November 1888, from Garrison to Helena, Mon. of Mint Supplies, amounting to $9.58 consigned to your care, payable from the appropriation for Contingent expenses of your Office, fiscal year 1889.
Duplicate and B/L herewith.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 29th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint of the

following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Boston & Colorado Smelting Company, 55000 Ounces, at $0.9360

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

March 25, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at St. Louis, Mo. to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Twelve Thousand Four Hundred and Sixty four 03/100 Dollars, ($12,464-03/100.) in Gold Coin, and One Hundred and Ninety-five 87/100 Dollars ($195 87/100.) in Silver Coin, making a Total of Twelve Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty-nine 90/100 Dollars, ($12,659. 90/100) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, as shown by Memorandum dated March 20, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 25, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at New Orleans be increased

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in the sum of One Million Dollars ($1,000,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

March 25, 1889.

Hon. Wm. Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in the name of Israel Lawton, Supt. of the U. S. Mint at San Francisco, the sum of Nineteen and 45/100 Dollars ($19.45/100) on account of profits on the Subsidiary Silver coinage, and that the bullion fund of said institution be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

March 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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March 25th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery, at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Handy & Harman 50,000 Ounces, at $0.9340
Fourth National Bank 40000 Ounces, at $0.9335

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball

March 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of March 13th in relation to the disposition of the balance of trade dollar bullion on hand, you are informed that I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of $19.45 to be deposited in the Treasury of the U. S. in your name, on account of profits on the coinage of subsidiary Silver and that your bullion fund be increased by a transfer of the same amount. When this is done, in order to close your trade dollar bullion account, you will transfer the balance, 16.97 St. oz. trade dollar bullion, to your account of silver purchased for the Silver dollar coinage.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

March 25, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office.
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Deposit-Memorandum dated March 20, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia Shipment No. 84 dated March 18, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $12,695.80/100, charges $35.90/100, and net value $12,659.90/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 25, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

American Exchange National Bank,
New York.

Your offer declined.
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Similar telegram sent to:

Telegram Confirmed

Clark, Dodge & Co.
51 Wall Street
New York.

March 25, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Your offer accepted.

Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegram sent to:

Telegram Confirmed

Handy & Harman,
24 Nassau Street
New York.

March 25, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.,
29 Wall Street, New York.

Your offer too late for consideration.

Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegram sent to:

Telegram Confirmed

J. & W. Seligman & Co.,
New York.

March 25, 1889.

J. R. Sheldon, Esq.,
Port Lavaca, Texas.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 20th instant, you are informed that silver is only coined by the mints of the United States on government account, and that Mexican coin has only a bullion value depending upon the market price for silver which fluctuates daily.

Respectfully yours, Jas. C. Kimball Director of the Mint.

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March 26, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, I. T.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper Accounting Officers of the Treasury for examination and settlement an account of the Pennsylvania (Star Union Line) Railway Co., for the transportation in the Month of December, 1888, from Washington D.C., to Chicago Ills. of one box stationery, amounting to 62¢ Consigned to your care, payable from the appropriation for Wages and Contingent Expenses Assay Office, Boise City, 1889.

Duplicate bill and V. L herewith.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Telegram

March 26th, 1889.

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Have not received statistics. Have they been forwarded?

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Telegram Confirmed

March 26, 1889.

Jacob Newman,
New Orleans.

Office of Silver only received Mondays and Thursdays, at one o'clock.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

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March 27, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Boise City, Idaho Territory of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Seven Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-four $\frac{20}{100}$ Dollars ($7974.$\frac{20}{100}$) in Gold Coin and Two Hundred and One $\frac{18}{100}$ Dollars ($201.$\frac{18}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Eight Thousand One Hundred and Seventy-five $\frac{38}{100}$ Dollars ($8,175.$\frac{38}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Boise City, Idaho, as shown by Memorandum dated March 22, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 27, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated March 22, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia Shipment No. 31 dated March 16, 1889 has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $8 194.$\frac{70}{}$, charges $19.$\frac{32}{}$ and net value $8175.$\frac{38}{}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the Bullion Fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball, Director.

March 27, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The following Bank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
1000, Form No. 78

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director

March 27, 1889

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Telegraph at close of business 5th day cost of local purchases this Month.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director Mint

March 27, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

You will please inform the Bureau whether there are any outstanding checks against the balance $91,300.— standing to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer at New York on account of the bullion fund.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.
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March 28, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

Before acting upon your request of the 21st instant for authority to purchase another Becker Balance, you will please report the number of balances you have on hand, and their practical condition.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

March 28, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

I have nothing from you to guide me in determining as to the necessity for doing so extensive painting as proposed in your letters of the 21st and 23rd instant, and do not feel warranted to act upon the question of proposal for this reason.

I may say that it is not the policy of the Department to do further painting than is necessary for the proper transaction of business in the several assay offices. It certainly does not seem to me proper that walls of cellars should be painted in assay offices. Painting for mere purposes of decoration, or freshening of appearances, will not be authorized, and could not properly be paid for out of contingent appropriations.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball.

March 28, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

American Exchange National Bank,
New York.

Your offer declined.
Jas. D. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegrams addressed to:

Boston and Colorado Smelting Company,
Denver, Colo.

Clark, Dodge & Co.
51, Wall Street, New York.

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Handy and Harman,
(24 Nassau Street, New York.

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.,
(29, Wall Street, New York.

Jacob Newman,
New Orleans, La.

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

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March 29, 1880.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis be increased in the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars. ($25,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at St. Louis.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

March 29, 1880

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 26th instant, you are informed that the Contract with the United States Express Company embraces all territory east of the Missouri River and you will continue to ship your bullion as heretofore by the express line doing business in your city, it resting entirely with the U. S. Express Company to make the necessary arrangements with connecting express lines, which they have probably done with the Company reaching your place.

The charges for the transportation of bullion will be paid by the department as heretofore and you will not make any charges to depositors for transportation.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

March 29, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir.

Your letter of the 25th instant, calling attention to an error in notice of advice of transfer & shipment No. 23 has been received.

The notice is returned herewith, corrected, showing the gross value of shipment to be $50,029.73.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

March 29, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office, Helena Mon.

Sir:

The official bond of Walter J. Bradshaw, clerk in your office, was approved by the Secretary of the Treasury on the 28th instant, and has this day been referred to the Office of the First Comptroller for file.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 29, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper Accounting Officers of the Treasury, for examination and Settlement, an account of the Union Pacific (and branches) Railway Co., for the transportation in the month of October 1888, from Council Bluffs

& Helena of Mint Supplies, amounting $ 12.37, consigned & your care, payable from the appropriation for Contingent expenses of your Office fiscal year 1889.

Duplicate B/L herewith.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 29, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have approved and referred & the proper Accounting Officers of the Treasury for examination and Settlement, Sam account of the Union Pacific (main line) Railway Co., for the transportation in the Month of October 1888 from Council Bluffs & Ogden of Mint Supplies, amounting to $ 3.57, consigned & your care, payable from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses of your Mint, fiscal year 1889.

Duplicate B/L herewith.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 29, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars, $ 25,000.- and that the same be placed & your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at St. Louis.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

March 30, 1889.

Telegram

Superintendent Mint
New Orleans, La.

Reduce purchasing rate of Silver to ninety-two and seven tenths cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director Mint.

March 30, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Reduce purchasing rate for Silver in lots of less than 10,000 ounces to 92.7 cents per ounce fine.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

March 30th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

2 Silver Ingot Melting books. (Form No. 184.)

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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March 31st, 1889.

Charles F. Macdonald, Esq.,
Superintendent, Money Order System,
Post Office Department
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The value of the Sol of Peru, based on the average price of Silver in London, for the three months ending the 31st instant, is 67.5 cents.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 1st, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper Accounting Officers of the Treasury for examination and settlement the account of the Chicago and Northwestern Railway Co., for the transportation in the Month of July 1888, from Chicago to St. Paul of Metro Case Stationery, amounting to $33.00, consigned to your care, payable from the appropriation for Contingent expenses of your Office, fiscal year 1889.

Duplicate bill and P.F. herewith.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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April 1st, 1889

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte.

Sir:

C. D. No. 2151 for $29.00 being on account of ore assays inclosed in your communication of the 30th ultimo, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, for personal credit to be given you in your accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt."

Very respectfully,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

Five (5) Similar letters, except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

C. D. No. 886 for $160.00 + + + assays of bullion + + +

& be given you in your Bullion accounts & & &

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April 1st, 1889.

Supt U. S Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Clark Dodge & Co. 100 000 Ounces, at $0.9275
Boston & Colorado Smelting Company 90000 Ounces, at $0.9275

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Fourth National Bank 50000 Ounces, at $0.9250
American Exchange Nat'l Bank 100000 Ounces, at $0.9275
Sandy & Harman 150000 Ounces, at $0.9275
J. & W. Seligman & Co. 80,000 Ounces, at $0.9275

April 1, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

With reference to yours of the 29th ultimo, I do not feel disposed to act in so important a matter until I have had an opportunity of consulting you in person at the mint, and can look into the matter there.

I trust that the introduction of new electric-lighting appliances is of no immediate importance, and question whether anything ought to be done until the improvements in construction are finished.

Respectfully yours
Jas. C. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 1st, 1889

Telegram Confirmed

Boston and Colorado Smelting Company,
Denver, Cols.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and three quarter cents per ounce fine for New Orleans.

Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegram sent to:

Clark, Dodge & Cos.
51 Wall Street, New York.

April 1, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

American Exchange National Bank,
New York.

Your Offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and three quarter cents per ounce fine.

Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Hendy & Harman,
24 Nassau Street, New York.

J. & W. Seligman & Cos.
New York.

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April 1st, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Clark, Dodge & Co. 150 000 Ounces, at $0.9275
Boston & Colorado Smelting Company 90000 Ounces, at $0.9275

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Fourth National Bank	50000 Ounces, at	$0.9250
American Exchange Nat'l Bank	100000 Ounces, at	$0.9275
Brandy & Fairman	150,000 Ounces, at	$0.9275
J. W. Seligman & Co.	80,000 Ounces, at	$0.9275

April 1, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

With reference to yours of the 29th ultimo, I do not feel disposed to act in so important a matter until I have had an opportunity of consulting you in person at the mint, and can look into the matter there.

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Jas. C. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 1st, 1889

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Boston and Colorado Smelting Company
Denver, Colo.

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Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegram sent to:

Clark, Dodge & Co's.
51 Wall Street, New York.

April 1, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

American Exchange National Bank
New York.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and three quarter cents per ounce fine.

Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Kountze, Brothers.
24 Nassau Street, New York.

J. & W. Seligman & Co's.
New York.

April 1, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Fourth National Bank
New York.

Your offer accepted.
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

April 1, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

American Exchange National Bank,
New York.

Regret that bids cannot be entertained after one o'clock.
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

April 1st, 1889

Telegram Confirmed

Messlage Colgate & Co.
29 Wall Street
New York

Your Offer too late for consideration.
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

April 2, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Philadelphia be increased in the sum of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said

institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 2, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 3, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in the name of Daniel M. Fox, Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, the sum of Five Hundred and Forty-Five Thousand Dollars ($545000.-) on account of profits on the coinage of standard silver dollars and that the bullion fund of said mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 1, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Your offer accepted.

Jas. O. Kimball,
Director.

April 1, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

American Exchange National Bank,
New York.

Regret that bids cannot be entertained after one o'clock.

Jas. O. Kimball
Director.

April 1st, 1889

Telegram Confirmed

Messlage Colgate & Co.
29 Wall Street
New York

Your Offer too late for consideration.

Jas. O. Kimball.
Director.

April 2, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Philadelphia be increased in the sum of One Million Dollars, ($1000000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said

institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 2, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 3, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States, in the name of Daniel M. Fox, Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, the sum of Five Hundred and Forty-Five Thousand Dollars ($545,000.-) on account of profits on the coinage of standard silver dollars and that the bullion fund of said mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 3, 1889.

Hon. William Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Boise City, Idaho to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, Pa., of the sum of Three Thousand One Hundred and Sixty-four $\frac{92}{100}$ Dollars ($3,164.\frac{92}{100}$) in Gold Coin and Forty-nine $\frac{58}{100}$ Dollars ($49.\frac{58}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Three Thousand Two Hundred and Fourteen $\frac{50}{100}$ Dollars, ($3,214.\frac{50}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Boise City, as shown by Memorandum dated March 29, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 3, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated March 29, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 32 dated March 23, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $3,223.\frac{31}{100}$, charges $8.\frac{81}{}$, and net value $3,214.\frac{50}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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April 3rd, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Before passing upon your account for expenditures in connection with the Collection of Statistics of the precious metals of Colorado, during the Calendar year 1888, I will thank you to inform this Bureau what portions, if any, of the 1000 mile tickets purchased by you and your representative, Mr. Sackett, remain unused. Credit should be given in the account for the No. of miles remaining, at cost rate, as the accounting officers cannot allow the full charge unless it is shown that the tickets were entirely used.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 3, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the Month of April, 1889, has been approved for the sum of $1700.00 payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Office during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	1889,	$ 700
Wages of Workmen,	1889,	1,000
Contingent Expenses,		1700.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 3, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

Your Daily Statement for January 17, if not mislaid, has not been received. Please transmit duplicate. The schedule of checks is here.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
500 Statements of Bullion Operations.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I enclose herewith ten bronze one cent pieces for your inspection and examination. The fact that they were selected from a number found in the possession of counterfeiters recently captured by the officers of the Secret Service throws the only doubt upon their genuineness.

I will thank you to institute such tests as will establish the character of these coins, and report the results to this Bureau as early as practicable.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Sir:

On page 242 of the annual report of this Bureau for the fiscal year 1887 the number of gold dollars coined in the calendar year 1856 is stated to have been 578,356.

According to old records filed in this Department the coinage of 1856 was reported as follows (the first column giving date of letter of transmittal):

30 May	139,170	1st. quarter
4 Sept.	556,860	2nd. quarter
13 Nov.	444,865	3rd. quarter
(?)		October
29 Nov.	59,867	November
31 Dec.	242,406	December
	1443,168	

You will see that, even with the data for October missing, the coinage of gold dollars of 1856 as reported at the time is 864,812 more than printed in the report referred to. Can you throw any light on this matter, or supply the figures for October?

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary, Refinery and Standard Silver Dollar Coinage & Storage Expense Accounts, with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the month ending March 31, 1889.

Very Respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in your name, the sum of $545,000.— on account of profits on the coinage of Standard silver dollars, and that the bullion fund of your mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 4, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

4 Books "Registers of Deposits." (Form No. 188 f.)

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

April 4, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary Expense Account, with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the month ending March 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

April 4th, 1889.

Assayer, U.S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N.C.

Sir:

C.D. No. 2156 for $58.23 being on account of profits on bullion inclosed in your communication of the 2d instant, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous-receipt."

Very respectfully,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

Two (2) Similar letters, except as here noted, addressed to:

Assayer, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

C.D. No. 7346 for $278.98, "Charges" 30th ultimo,

C.D. No. 7347 for $2.00, bullion assays 30th ultimo, no personal credit to be given you in your accounts,

April 4, 1889.

Assayer U.S. Mint,
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

over

505 Statements of Gold and Silver Bullion received.

Very respectfully,
Jas. C. Kimball,
Director.

April 4, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

(Bk 48. Page 71) Since writing you yesterday a letter of the Director of the Mint has been found dated November 20, 1857 transmitting a statement of coinage for fourth quarter 1856. This statement reports the coinage of gold dollars at Philadelphia to have been 622,041. During November and December 1856, as per letter of yesterday, 302,273 gold dollars appear to have been coined.

Subtracting 302,273 from 622,041 gives 319,768 as the coinage of October 1856.

Original records of the coinage of the calendar year 1856 being thus complete in detail, the total coinage of gold dollars is indicated to have been 1,762,986, as stated on page 5 of (printed) report of the Director of the Mint to the President, January 31, 1857.

Further examination into the matter also discloses that the figures 578,356 (whether by coincidence or not) represent the total coinage of gold dollars at Philadelphia during the first six months of the calendar year 1857, as follows:

Date of Statement or letter.	Coinage	Period.
31 Janry.	112,031	January
28 Febry.	200,691	February
31 March	Nil	March
1 May	104,044.	April
1 June	161,590	May
30 June	Nil	June
	578,356	

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From the foregoing it is probable that the whole coinage of gold dollars of 1856 has of late been omitted from the printed reports of this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 4th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

J. & W. Seligman & Co.	70,000 Ounces,	at	$0.9285
Heckage Colgate & Co	100,000 Ounces	at	$0.9285
Zimmermann & Forshay	65,000 Ounces,	at	$0.9285
Handy & Harman	100,000 Ounces,	at	$0.9285.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 4, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Clark, Dodge & Co.,
57 Wall Street,
New York.

Your Offers declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and eighty-five hundredth cents per ounce fine, one hundred thousand for New Orleans and balance for Philadelphia.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 4, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Your Offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and eighty-five hundredth cents per ounce fine.

Jas. D. Kimball
Director.

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Similar telegrams sent to:

Handy & Harman,
24 Nassau Street,
New York.

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.,
29 Wall Street,
New York.

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

Zimmermann & Forshay,
11 Wall Street,
New York.

April 4th, 1889.

Hon. Rasmus B. Anderson,
United States Minister Resident,
Copenhagen, Denmark.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your esteemed communication of February 4, 1889, forwarding the information requested by the circular from the Department of State, dated December 17, 1888, so far as relates

to the Kingdom of Denmark.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 4th, 1889.

Hon. Charles Denby,
United States Minister,
Peking, China.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your esteemed favor of February 15, 1889, transmitting the information called for by the circular of the Department of State dated December 17, 1888, relative to the Coinage, etc., of China.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 4th, 1889.

E. P. C. Lewis, Esq.,
U. S. Minister Resident,
Lisbon, Portugal.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your esteemed communication of the 5th ultimo forwarding the replies to the Questions propounded in the circular of the Department of State, dated December 17, 1888, so far as they relate to the Kingdom of Portugal.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 4th, 1889.

Hon. Geo. W. Merrill,
U. S. Minister Resident,
Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your esteemed communication of February 11, 1889, forwarding the information in reply to the several questions propounded in the circular from the Department of State of the date of December 17, 1888, so far as the same relate to the Kingdom of Hawaii.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

April 4th, 1889.

Christian M. Siebert, Esq.,
Chargé d'Affaires, U. S. Legation,
Santiago, Chili.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your esteemed favor of February 28, 1889, forwarding in response to the circular of the Department of State, dated December 17, 1888, a report on the coinage, imports, etc., of the precious metals in Chili for the calendar year 1888: also enclosing an article from the Estadistica Comercial for 1887 on the production and export of copper and silver ores.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 4th, 1889.

Hon. Javier Stavoli,
Treasury Department,
City of Mexico, Mexico.

Sir:

I beg to thank you for your esteemed favor of January 30, 1889, forwarding copies of the Mexican mint reports for the first six months of the fiscal year 1887-1888 for the fiscal year 1887-1888 and for the first six months of the fiscal year 1888-1889.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The following forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
500 Reports on Melter and Refiner's Bars (Silver)

Very Respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

You will please cause 1,000,000 Silver dollars to be coined by your mint during the current month.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball.
Director of the Mint.

April 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia Pa.

Sir:

You will please cause 2,000,000 silver dollars to be coined by your mint during the current month.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

April 6, 1889

Hon. William Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Charlotte, to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Fifteen Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-seven $\frac{15}{100}$ Dollars, ($15,857.$\frac{15}{100}$,) in Gold Coin and Sixty-four $\frac{47}{100}$ Dollars ($64.$\frac{47}{100}$,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Fifteen Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-one $\frac{62}{100}$ Dollars, ($15,921.$\frac{62}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte, as shown by Memorandum dated April 3rd, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 6, 1889.

Hon. William Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Mint at

Denver, Colo. To that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Thirty four Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety 76/100 Dollars, ($34,990.76/100) in Gold Coin, and Three Hundred and Thirty-four 29/100 Dollars ($334.29/100) in Silver Coin, making a total of Thirty-two Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty-five 05/100 Dollars, ($32,325.05/100) being the net value of Bullion hereto-fore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Mint at Philadelphia, as shown by Memorandum dated April 3, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 6, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated April 3, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 3 dated March 30, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $15,959.15/100, Charges $37.53/100, and net value $15,921.62/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 6, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated April 3, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipments No. 24 & 24½, dated March 30, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $32,406.47/100, charges $8.12/100, and net value $32,325.25/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 6, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

500 Notifications of Bullion Shipments (Form No. 172)

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar, except as noted, to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

500 Requests for Supplies. (Form D.S. 130.a)

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Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary Refinery & Standard Silver Dollar expense accounts with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the month ending March 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 6, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

Replying to yours of April 4, on the subject of decoration of the Assay Office on the occasion of the Centennial Celebration of the inauguration of President Washington, on the 30th instant, I enclose copy of the Opinion of the First Comptroller, adverse to an expenditure from stated appropriations, by which, of course, you will be governed.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 6, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Referring to yours of the 5th of April, and to the question raised by you, whether the accounting officers of the Treasury Department would be satisfied with the powers conferred by Mr. C. S. Sedgwick, general agent of the Company upon Mr. Williams

I Fisher, a receiver for moneys on the part of the United States Express Company from the Mint at Philadelphia, I have to say that such powers should be conferred upon the agent at the mint directly by the company, by power of attorney for the specific purpose or acts authorized.

In this matter I have consulted the First Comptroller who decides as above indicated, on the ground that "Mr. Sedgwick is not authorized to appoint another to do that which he alone is authorized to do."

As the Office of the First Comptroller should be satisfied upon a technical matter of this sort, Mr. Fisher should be instructed to qualify himself for the duties to which he has been assigned by the United States Express Company by a separate power of attorney.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 6, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

From your Cashier's Daily Statement it appears that you have on hand a little over $7000.- in dimes. I think it desirable that you should increase your stock of coin of this denomination by coining upat least a part of the bullion resulting from the melting of uncurrent silver coin now on hand.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Medal Fund Account, with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the Quarter ending March 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 6, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary expense Account, with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the month ending March 31, 1889.

Very Respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 8, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Boise City to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, Pa., of the sum of Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-nine 65/100 Dollars, ($3,859 65/100,) in Gold Coin, and Eighty-two 1/100 Dollars ($82 1/100,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Three Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-one 76/100 Dollars, ($3,941 76/100,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States

Assay Office at Boise City, as shown by Memorandum dated April 5, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 8, 1889.

Hon. William Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir.

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Helena to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Twelve Thousand Seventy-six $\frac{35}{100}$ Dollars ($12,076.$$\frac{35}{100}$) in Gold Coin and ninety-four $\frac{52}{100}$ Dollars ($94.$$\frac{52}{100}$) in Silver Coin making a total of Twelve Thousand One Hundred and Seventy $\frac{87}{100}$ Dollars $12,170.$$\frac{87}{100}$ being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Helena, as shown by Memorandum dated April 5, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

April 8th 1889.

First Auditor
Treasury Department.

Sir.

I transmit herewith for examination and settlement the Bullion accounts of the U. S. Assay Office at Charlotte N. C. for the Quarter ending December 31, 1888, rendered as one for the purpose of adjustment as required

by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 8, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated April 5, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 33 dated March 30, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $2,951.45/100, charges $9.69/100, and net value $2,941.76/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

April 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $3000.00 to meet the expenses of the refinery in connection with your institution, during the present month, payable from the appropriation for "Parting and refining bullion."

Very respectfully
Jas. C. Kimball, Director.

Similar letters, except as to sums mentioned, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Assay Office
New York City.

$6000.00

over

Similar to letter (to Carson) on preceding page, except as to sum, & address:

Supt. U. S. Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

$5000.00

April 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution, during the Month of April, 1889 has been approved for the sum of $5,100.00, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	1889,	$1600,
Wages of Workmen,	1889,	3000,
Contingent Expenses,	1889,	500,

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letters except as here noted, addressed to:

Assayer in Charge U. S. Mint
Denver, Colo.

$2,200.00

Salaries,	1889,	1000
Wages of Workmen,	1889,	1000
Contingent Expenses,	1889,	200

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

$10700.00

over

Salaries,	1889,	$ 2700
Wages of Workmen,	1889,	5500
Contingent Expenses,	1889,	2500

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

$38500.00

Salaries,	1889,	$ 3,500
Wages of Workmen,	1889,	25,000
Contingent Expenses,	1889,	10,000

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

$15500.00

Salaries,	1889,	$3500
Wages of Workmen,	1889,	12000

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

$426.60

Salaries	1889	$226.60
Wages of Workmen,	1889	200.00
Contingent Expenses,	1889	

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

$5800.00

Salaries,	1889	$3200
Wages of Workmen,	1889	1800
Contingent Expenses,	1889	800

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis Mo.

488.40

Office

over

Salaries	1889,	$ 288.40
Wages of Workmen,	1889,	200.00
Contingent Expenses,	1889,	

April 8th, 1889.

Assayer, Assay Office
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Bullion accounts for the Quarter ending December 31, 1888, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 8, 1889.

Assayer, Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers, for the Quarter ending March 31st, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 8, 1889

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

Referring to your Bullion and Coin Accounts for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1888, your attention is directed to the following error on the Abstract sheets of Gold deposits, viz:- Deposit-No. 372 - Gross weight 29.15 ounces, Silver fineness 366, - amount of Silver

contained 11.66 St. ounces, entered 11.76 St. ounces. Fortunately, the correct amount of Silver in this deposit was paid for, so that no overpayment has occurred, but you have charged yourself in your Bullion Account with .10 Standard ounces more silver than you received.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 8th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended March 31, 1889, has been received at this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, addressed to:

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

April 8, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary Expense Account with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the month ending March 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated April 9, 1889 of Gold Bullion, forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 34. dated March 30, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $12,201.28/100, charges $30.41/100, paid net value $12,170.87/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Referring to your favor of the 2nd inst., enclosing a list of distances for verification, and asking for a copy of the Official Table of Distances and Traveler's Guide mentioned in the new Contract with the United States Express Co., you are respectfully informed that a copy of the War Department Table of Distances was mailed you Oct. 11, 1888.

You are authorized to subscribe to the Traveler's Railway Guide, which is a monthly publication.

You are hereby instructed that there will be no change in the practice at your Mint in paying for shipments of Silver Dollars. The Official Table of Distances will be used, as heretofore, for all places in which the distances from New Orleans are given, provided there is no shorter

route by several miles, and for all places not enumerated in it you will ascertain from the Railway Guide the shortest distances and forward such distances with the routes for verification.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 8th, 1869.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

C. D. No. 219 for $1.98 being on account of alloy charges inclosed in your Communication of the 4th inst. has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Bullion Accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt."

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

2 Similar letters, except as here noted, to same address:

C. D. No. 220 for $404.39 + + + parting and refining charges + + + + + + + + + + + to the credit of the appropriation for "Parting and refining bullion". + + + + + + + + + + +

April 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The following blank book and forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

1 Book of Supt. receipts for Silver Coin.
500 Daily reports on Gold and Silver Bullion (Coiner)

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 8, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Supt. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Receive fifteen thousand ounces from Jacob Newman at ninety-three cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball, Director.

April 8th, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Jacob Newman, 15,000 Ounces, at $0.93—
Clark Dodge & Co., 100,000 Ounces, at $0.93—

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

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J. & W. Seligman & Co.	54,000 Ounces, at	$ 0.93
Fourth National Bank,	80,000 Ounces, at	$ 0.93
Handy & Harman,	230,000 Ounces, at	$ 0.93

April 8th, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have to-day requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $5,000. from the appropriation for the coinage of Standard Silver Dollars to meet, in part, the expenses of your Mint on account of that coinage during the present month.

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director

Similar letter except as to sum mentioned, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.
$11,000.

April 8th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
San Francisco.

Sir:

C. D. No. 924 for $57.88, being on account of sale of old material inclosed in your communication of the 30th ultimo, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury. No personal credit to be given you in your accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt."

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 8, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Clark Dodge & Co.
51 Wall Street
New York.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-three cents per ounce fine, for New Orleans.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 8, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-three cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Handy & Harman,
24 Nassau Street
New York.

Zimmermann & Forshay,
11, Wall Street, New York.

April 8, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Jacob Newman,
New Orleans, La.

Your offer accepted.

Jas. P. Kimball, Director.

Similar telegram sent to:

J. & W. Seligman & Co. New York.

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April 9, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena be increased in the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60000.) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution as follows, viz:
$50,000.- with the U. S. Ass't Treasurer New York, and
10,000.- with the First National Bank at Helena.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball.
Director of the Mint.

April 9, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Bullion accounts of the Assayer-in-Charge of the U. S. Mint at Denver, Colo. for the Quarter ending December 31st, 1888, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

April 9, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, T.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the Month of April, 188[illegible]

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has been approved for the sum of $865.00 payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your office, during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	1889,	$ 260
Wages of Workmen,	1889,	} 600
Contingent Expenses,	1889,	}

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 9, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

12 Statements of Count and Examination of Funds (Form No. 225)
25 " of Deposits and Purchases, during the month of (" " 60)
6 " " " " " " " Fiscal year " " "
6 " " " " " " " Calendar " " " "
25 " " Domestic Production " " Month of " " 61
6 " " " " " " Fiscal year " " "
6 " " " " " " Calendar " " " "
25 " " Bars manufactured " " Month of " " 61½
6 " " " " " " Fiscal year " " "
6 " " " " " " Calendar " " " "
50 " " Silver Purchased " " 64

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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Assayer U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Bullion account for the Quarter ending December 31, 1888, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 9, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Sixty Thousand Dollars, ($60,000.-) and that $5,000.- of this amount be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York, and balance of $10,000.- with First National Bank of Helena.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 9th, 1889.

Hon. George H. Pendleton,
United States Minister Plenipotentiary
Berlin, Germany.

Sir:

I have the the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the statement signed by A. Conrad Director of the Royal Prussian Mint, showing the Coinage of the German mints to the close of the year 1888.

The statement was received from the Department

of State of this Government.
I will thank you to request that the printed reports showing the transactions of the German mints be forwarded, direct to this Bureau.
All of the publications of this Bureau are sent to Mr. Conrad, Director of the Mint-Institute.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

April 9, 1889.

David Enright, Esq.,
Topographer,
Post Office Department.

Sir:
Please furnish this Bureau with the shortest distance by railroad from New Orleans, La., to the following points, viz:
Mercer, Tenn.
Sulligent, Ala. and
Interlachen, Fla.
Please return the enclosed letter.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
For the Director of the Mint.

April 10, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:
It is respectfully requested that you will cause a transfer to be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Mint at San Francisco to the Treasury of the United States, of the sum of Ninety One Thousand Three Hundred Dollars, ($91,300.) the same being the amount standing to the credit of the Superintendent of

paid mint with the Assistant Treasurer of the U. S. at New York, and against which sum there are no outstanding checks.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 10, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte be increased in the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars, ($20,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 10, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement the Bullion accounts of the Assayer-in-Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena Montana, for the Quarter ending December 31, 1888, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment, as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, with exception here noted, to same address:

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+ + at St. Louis, Mo. + + + +
+ + + + + + + +

of State of this Government.
I will thank you to request that the printed reports showing the transactions of the German mints be forwarded, direct to this Bureau.
All of the publications of this Bureau are sent to Dr. Conrad, Director of the Mint-Institute.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

April 9, 1889.

David Enright, Esq.,
Topographer,
Post Office Department.

Sir:
Please furnish this Bureau with the shortest distance by railroad from New Orleans, La., to the following points, viz:
Mercer, Penn.
Sulligent, Ala. and
Interlachen, Fla.
Please return the enclosed letter.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
For the Director of the Mint.

April 10, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:
It is respectfully requested that you will cause a transfer to be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Mint at San Francisco to the Treasury of the United States, of the sum of Ninety One Thousand Three Hundred Dollars, ($91,300.) the same being the amount standing to the credit of the Superintendent of

paid mint with the Assistant Treasurer of the U. S. at New York and against which sum there are no outstanding checks.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 10, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte be increased in the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars, ($20,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 10, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement the Bullion accounts of the Assayer-in-Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena Montana, for the Quarter ending December 31, 1888, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment, as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, with exception here noted, & same address:

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+ + at St. Louis, Mo. + + + + +

+ + + + + + + + +

April 10th, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

C. D. No. 930, for $6,313.22, being on account of parting and refining inclosed in your communication of the 2d inst. has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury to the credit of the appropriation for "parting and refining bullion".

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Two (2) Similar letters, with exceptions here noted, to same address:

C. D. No. 931 for $23.54 + + + Alloy Charges + + + + + as a "Miscellaneous receipt."

C. D. No. 932 for $444.90 + + + Sale of copper solution + + + No personal credit to be given you in your accounts + + + as a Sale of by-products.

April 10th, 1889

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Sir:

C. D. No. 201 for $118.87 being on account of charges for melting, assaying and Stamping, inclosed in your Communication of the 2d instant, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury), personal credit to be given you in your

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Bullion accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt."

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director

April 10, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement your Bullion accounts for the Quarter ending December 31, 1888, with my approval.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 10th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers, for the Quarter ending March 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 10th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended March 31, 1889, has been received at this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 10, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office
New York City.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary and Refinery expense Accounts, with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the Month ending March 31, 1889.

Very Respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 10th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your attention is invited to Voucher number 394 of your Ordinary expense account for the Month of March which requires explanation.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 10, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have to-day requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause a transfer to be made from the bullion fund of your Mint to the Treasury of the United States of the sum of $91,300.- the same being the amount standing to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the U. S. at New York.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Bullion accounts for the Quarter ending December 31, 1888, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball.

April 11, 1889.

Hon. Wm. Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In compliance with your request of February 26th, I have the honor to transmit herewith One hundred Bronze Medals struck for the Life Saving Service from the dies used for the gold and Silver medals of that service. I also enclose herewith the account of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia for the medals including express charges paid, amounting to $40.35 for which sum I would respectfully request that you will cause a draft to be transmitted under cover to this Bureau in his favor, as early as practicable.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 11, 1889.

First Auditor
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary Refinery & Standard Silver Dollar

accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at New Orleans for the month ending March 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment, as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 11, 1889

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Bullion and coin accounts of the assayer in charge of the U. S. Assay Office, at Boise City, Idaho for the Quarter ending December 31, 1888, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment, as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as here noted, to same address:

+ Bullion + + + + + +
+ Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Carson City, Nevada, + + + + + +
+ + + + + + +

April 11, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Your attention is directed to an error of 10 cents in the gold value of bar No. 489, shipment No. 12, dated October 13th 1888.

Your shipment statement has been corrected to $1,540.65 instead of $1540.75

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball, Director of the Mint.

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April 11, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement your Bullion and Coin accounts for the Quarter ending December 31, 1888, with my approval.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 11th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended December 31, 1888, has been examined in this Bureau and found to be correct in all particulars.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letters addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson City, Nev.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Assayer, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office
Helena, Montana

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office
Saint Louis, Mo.

April 11, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement your Bullion accounts for the Quarter ending December 31, 1888, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 11, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Twenty Thousand Dollars, ($20000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 11th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

Referring to your bullion accounts for the quarter ended December 31, 1888, I would say that it is desirable that the gold and silver bullion accounts should be closed out each quarter by the shipment of all the bullion in your possession to the mint, instead of leaving a small balance in your hands, as shown by your accounts.

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The practice indicated is followed at all of the other assay offices and at the Mint at Denver, and the advantage is that it enables the Bureau to ascertain, at any time the exact loss or gain on shipments & the close of a quarter. Hereafter you will please see that this practice is conformed with at your institution.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 11th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Referring to petty voucher #292 of your Ordinary account for the month of March I desire to say that the subscription to a "Counterfeit Detector" seems an unnecessary expenditure and I will thank you, hereafter, before making subscriptions of this kind, to explain the necessity therefor to this Bureau.

In the case of the voucher in question the settlement of your account may be complicated in consequence of the fiscal years covered by the term of subscription. You will observe that one fourth of the amount of the bill properly belongs to 1888, one fourth to 1890, leaving only one half or $3.00, properly chargeable to the current year's appropriation.

I have approved and referred the account with the others pertaining to the month with the hope that the irregularity of this voucher may not be regarded by the accounting officers as sufficient to warrant suspension.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 11, 1889

Supt U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The correct distance from New Orleans to places named in your letter of the 2nd instant, as certified to by the Post Office Department is as follows, viz:

Mercer, Tenn.	457 miles
Sulligent, Ala.	347 "
Interlachen, Fla.	634 "

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 11th, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia,

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectfully named which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Messlage, Colgate & Co.	100,000 Ounces,	at	$ 0.9260
Fourth National Bank	60,000 Ounces,	at	$ 0.9260
Handy & Harman	100,000 Ounces,	at	$ 0.9260
J. & W. Seligman & Co.	100,000 Ounces,	at	$ 0.9260
Zimmermann & Forshay,	50,000 Ounces,	at	$ 0.9260

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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April 11th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Referring to your bullion accounts for the quarter ended December 31, 1888, your attention is directed to the charges imposed for refining gold deposit No. 1605, assay No. 2953.

The fineness of this deposit is .989½ gold, and the charge imposed is 3/21 of 6 cents per ounce. The rate according to the regulations should be 6 cents for deposits containing over .700 gold.

The assay report does not show that this deposit contained any silver, or the character of the base metal.

Will you please explain under what schedule of charges the rate mentioned was imposed.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 11, 1889.

To the
Phoenix Manufacturing Company,
Taunton, Mass.

Gentlemen:

In reply to your letter of the 8th instant, you are informed that when the newspapers have selected (which will probably not be until about the 1st proximo) in which the advertisements for supplies required by the mints for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890, will appear, a list will be sent you.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 11, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Handy & Harman,
24 Nassau St., New York.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and six tenth cents, per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegrams sent to:

J. & W. Seligman & Co.,
New York.

Zimmermann & Forshay,
19 Wall Street, New York.

April 11, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Your offer accepted.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegram sent to:

Nesslage Colgate & Co.,
29 Wall Street, New York.

April 12th, 1889

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary Refinery & Mint'd Sil. Dol. Coinage th

Storage accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia for the month ending March 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 12, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Bullion and coin accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at New Orleans, La. for the Quarter ending December 31, 1888, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 12, 1889

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for examination and settlement, the Ordinary expense account of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Mint at Denver for the month ending March 31, 1889 rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, with exception here noted, to same address:

Assay Office at Helena, Mon.

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April 12, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint
Carson City Nev.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary and Refinery expense Accounts, with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the Month ending March 31, 1889.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter except as noted, addressed to:

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

+ + Ordinary Expense Account + +

April 12, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement your Ordinary account for the month ending March 31, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director

Similar letter addressed to:

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office
Helena, Mon.

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Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Your bullion and Coin accounts for the quarter ended December 31, 1888, have been examined in this Bureau and approved by me and forwarded to the proper accounting officers of the Department for settlement.

Your attention is directed to the fact that on the credit side of the gold bullion account the decimal of the standard ounces has been carried to the fourth place. This should not have been done. You will instruct your book Keeper that hereafter the decimals in the case of gold is to be carried in all cases to the third place, and in the case of silver to the second place.

In the account of silver assay coins the closing balance was omitted. It has been inserted in this Bureau.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 12th, 1889.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended December 31, 1888, has been examined in this Bureau and found to be correct in all particulars.

Hereafter, in the enumeration of expenditures on your quarterly statement you will please enter the total expenditures for wages of workmen opposite the printed caption, and the total expendi-

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tures for contingent expenses opposite & the printed caption, and in the margin opposite each, the respective amounts paid from the regular appropriations for such expenditures, and the amount paid from the appropriation for the coinage of the standard silver dollar for each class of expenditures.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 12th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

Referring & the abstract sheets of gold deposits accompanying your bullion and coin accounts for the quarter ended December 31, 1888, your attention is directed & the deposit of the test coins of the San Francisco New Orleans and Philadelphia mints, made December 21, 1888, receipt No. 5547, Assay No. 6048.

The gross weight of this deposit is entered on the abstract sheets as 235.09 ounces, and the fineness of the gold as .284, consequently the gold contained was 74.184 standard ounces while you have it entered and paid for as 74.175 standard ounces.

It is presumed that this discrepancy was intentional on your part in order & make the exact value of the gold contained in these coins agree with the face value of the coins sent you and which you had & return & the respective mints, but it seems & me that if such was your intention the proper way & accomplish it was & have reduced the gross weight of the deposit & an amount which would produce, at the fineness of .284, a standard weight of 74.175.

As the matter stands you have failed & charge

yourself with .009 standard ounces of gold.

While this is a small matter your accounts have been so uniformly correct that it is a matter of regret that this discrepancy should appear.

I await any explanation you may have to offer before acting upon your accounts.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 12th, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your Medal Fund Account for the quarter ended March 31, 1889, together with necessary Abstract and Voucher is herewith returned for correction. The enclosed voucher for Assay medal Cases is not a proper charge against the "profits" of the Medal Fund but should be paid from your appropriation for Contingent expenses as are all other expenses connected with the Annual Assay Commission.

Similar bills have heretofore been paid from the profits of this fund but this is no reason why the error should be perpetuated, you will, therefore, pay this bill as indicated and Charge your closing balance & Conform.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

tures for Contingent Expenses opposite the printed
sections and in the margin opposite each, the respec-
tive amounts paid from the regular appropria-
tions for such expenditures, and the amount paid
from the appropriation for the Coinage of the
Standard Silver dollar for each class of ex-
penditures.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 12, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
50 Oaths of Office.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 12, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary Refinery, & Std. Sil. Dol. Coinage & storage accounts for the month ending March 31, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 12, 1889.

Mr. John Randolph,
Assistant Clerk U. S. Court of Claims.

Sir:

In reference to your communication of March 19, requesting duly authenticated copies of
"plans and specifications of machinery for the old Branch Mint of the United States at San Francisco, California, as annexed to certain contracts between Joseph R. Curtis and the Secretary of the Treasury entered into respectively on April 15, 1853 and July 6, 1853,"
for use as evidence on trial of cause of Crane, McLaughlin and Boyd vs. the United States (Congressional, 643), I have the honor to report that search has been made among the old records of this Bureau and Department and those at the Mint at Philadelphia, where prior to 1873 matters relating to the mints and coinage were supervised, but without success as to the plans and specifications themselves, although letters referring to them have been found.

If the claimants have further information than is contained in the call of their attorney, that may suggest a clue to the whereabouts or disposition of the papers in the case, this Bureau will continue its search accordingly.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 13, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Denver be increased in the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars, ($200,000.-)

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by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge of said institution with the 1st National Bank and Denver National Bank at Denver, Colo.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 13, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Philadelphia be increased in the sum of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 13, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the statistical expense account of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Mint at Denver for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, ~~for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889~~, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Statistical Expense account for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 13th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver Colo.

Sir:

C. D. No. 7348 for $8.66c being on account of unexpended balance of appropriation for Contingent Expenses Office of Director of the Mint, 1889. (for collecting Mining Statistics) inclosed in your communication of the 25th ultimo, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Statistical accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as an unexpended balance of appns. for Contingent Expenses, Office of Director of the Mint 1889.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 13, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Dear Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your

Institution be increased by a transfer of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars, ($200,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the First National and Denver National Banks, Denver Colo.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 13th, 1889

Assayer U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
100 Statements of Shipments of Gold Bullion. (Form No. 131 B.)

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letters except as here noted, to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

200 Pay-rolls (Form No. 48)

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

400 Memoranda of Gold Bullion (Form No. 42 D.)
400 Certificates of Gold Deposits " " 4 G.

April 13, 1889

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement a Bill of "The Morning Oregonian" for sub. for one year from March 20, 89 to March 20, 90, amounting to $12.00 payable from the Appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Office of Director of the Mint 1889. (Mining Statistics.)

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement a Bill of the stationery division Treasury Department for Stationery shipped you on the 27th of March, amounting to $39.67 payable from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses of your Office, fiscal year 1889.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 13th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures

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for the quarter ended December 31, 1888, has been examined in this Bureau and found to be correct in all particulars.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 13th, 1889

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
Newyork, N.Y.

Sir:

I will thank you to forward the bullion quotations for the 6th and 8th instant, none having been received for those days.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 13, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Enclosed you will find a list of errors in classify-

-ing on your Register of Deposits gold and Silver bullion deposited during quarter ended 31st ultimo. While some are not serious, you will observe that one deposit in particular (No. 27), containing 280 ounces of gold and 98 of silver, was clearly a gold deposit, though entered on the Register as silver.

I know of no way to avoid such errors except by making original entries in a blotter, subject to revision, before making entry in the regular Register.

This practice seems to be followed in the other institutions, and though attended with some trouble, avoids all such errors, which ought certainly to be within control. The occurrence of such errors, as I consider, reflects upon method, which is presumed to be strictly accurate and systematic.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Errors, Register of Deposits, Mint at Philadelphia, Quarter ended March 31, 1889.

Silver deposits entered as gold deposits.

Receipt Nos.	Fineness Gold.	Fineness Silver.	Standard Weight (oz. & dec.) Gold.	Standard Weight (oz. & dec.) Silver.
1045	274	278	25.665	25.78
80	158.5	407	4.315	11.03
5	331	363	76.718	83.36
96	411	419	33.565	33.88
1116	362	364	5.410	5.39
37	448	498	28.523	31.42
1205	251	457	6.484	11.74
91	328	410	13.885	17.22
1326	344	420	23.889	28.93
59	314.5	353	9.347	10.40
1412	344	430	5.657	7.01
42	357	359	5.058	5.03
1520	282.5	411	14.219	20.54

over

Gold deposit entered as silver deposit.

Receipt No.	Fineness Gold	Fineness Silver	Standard weight (ozs. & dec.) Gold	Standard weight (ozs. & dec.) Silver
27	209	578.5	98.51	280.508

Gold deposit entered as "Silver purchase".

536	273	285	6.71	7.869

April 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, a bill of the stationery division, Treasury Department for stationery shipped you on the 8th of March, amounting to $2.70, payable from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses of your Mint, fiscal year 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball.
Director.

April 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of March 29, you are informed that the matter of tagging bags of silver coin in a manner similar to the present system of marking bags of gold coin, is entirely within your own discretion.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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April 15th, 1889

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for examination and settlement, the Ordinary and Refinery expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Assay Office at New York for the month ending March 31, 1889, rendered & due for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letters, except as here noted, to same address:

Bullion accounts for the Quarter ending December 31, 1888,

Medal Fund account
Mint at Philadelphia
Quarter ending March 31, 1889,

April 15, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers, for the Quarter ending March 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

April 15, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary and Refinery expense accounts for the month ending March 31, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter, with exception here noted, to same address:

Bullion accounts
Quarter ending December 31, 1888,

April 15, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the First Auditor for examination and settlement your Medal Fund Account for the quarter ended March 31st 1889, As it is contrary to the custom of the Department to permit disbursing Officers to carry unnecessarily large cash balances, I will thank you if ~~you~~, if you have not already done so, to deposit at least $1000 of the amount now remaining in your hands to the credit of this account.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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April 15th 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia,

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treas-ury for delivery at your Mint of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts re-spectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Hoadley & Hearman 75,000 Ounces, at $0.9255

Respectfully Yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 15, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary, Refinery & Standard Silver Dollar & Statistical Accounts, with Abstracts and Vouchers &c. for the Month end-ing March 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

April 15, 1889.

Messrs. Wollstein & Sulzberger,
17 John Street,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

Replying to yours of April 13, referring to your disappointment in Sweeps purchased from the Mint at New Orleans, I have to say, while

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I regret any such disappointment, I am unable to suggest any recourse. I assume that assays were made by yourselves upon samples satisfactory to you, and that this sampling and your own assays were a sufficient preliminary to the bid made by you. Any failure to satisfy yourselves as to the assay value of the sweeps eventually purchased must have been upon your own part, in the full knowledge of the technical risk in sampling, and of the risks natural to the transaction.

Your letter of March 20 to the Superintendent of the Mint at New Orleans, of which you enclose copy, will undoubtedly receive his attention after such investigation as remains possible subsequent to consumption of the material in question.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 15, 1889.

The Cashier,
Dominion Bank,
Belleville, Can.

Sir:

I have received to-day a package said to contain $100. in gold bullion, as per your letter of advice dated 12th April.

The package, with unbroken seals, has been forwarded by express to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia, Pa., to whom it should have been sent direct, and who will comply with your request by returning draft on New York for coin value of contents.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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R. S. Davis, Esq.,
313, 4½ Street,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 13th instant asking for the present value of the French gold franc and the English pound Sterling, I enclose herewith a copy of the circular of the value of foreign coins, issued on the first of the year, giving the value of all foreign coins.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 15, 1889.

Telegram

Boston & Colorado Smelting Co.
Denver, Colo.

Confirmed

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and fifty-five hundredth cents per, ounce fine, for New Orleans.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegram sent to:

Clark, Dodge & Co.,
51 Wall Street,
New York.

April 15, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Handy & Harman,
24 Nassau St., New York

Your offer accepted.

Jas. P. Kimball, Director.

April 15, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Messrs Colgate & Co.
29 Wall Street.
New York.

Your offer declined.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director

Similar telegrams sent to:

J. & W. Seligman & Co.,
New York.

Zimmermann & Forshay
11 Wall Street
New York.

April 16, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated April 12, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 34 dated April 6, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $12,673 26/100, charges $32 43/100, and net value $12,640 83/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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April 16, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Boise City to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred and Six 92/100 Dollars, ($12,506 92/100,) in Gold Coin, and One Hundred and Thirty-three 91/100 Dollars ($133 91/100,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Twelve Thousand Six Hundred and Forty 83/100 Dollars ($12,640 83/100,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Boisé City, as shown by Memorandum dated April 12th 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 16th, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Clark Dodge & Co. 100 000 Ounces at $0.9255
Boston & Colorado Smelting Company, 75000 Ounces, at $0.9255

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball, Director of the Mint.

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April 16, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

I should like to have a report from the melter and refiner of the process of preparation of sweeps at your institution preliminary to sale, especially the mechanical part of the operation, and by what appliances. Also, whether any amalgamation is conducted or effort made to remove from them available parts of the precious metals, previous to assay for sale.

From repeated complaints of disappointment in the assay value of sweeps, I infer that some process is lacking to secure fair average sample.

In view of the large silver wastage at your institution, it is important that serious attention be given to this matter.

A consultation by letter with the melter and refiner of the Mint at Philadelphia may result in giving the melter and refiner of your institution some advantage over his present practice, as the work is very well done there, both in the extraction of available parts and in the incorporation of the whole, so as to admit of uniform average.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

April 17, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the statistical expense account of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Assay Office for

Charlotte, N.C. for the Fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 17, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary & Refinery accounts of the Superintendent of the U.S. Mint at Carson for the month ending March 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter except as here noted, to same address:

Ordinary, Refinery, Statistical & Standard Silver Dollar accounts of the Superintendent of the U.S. Mint at San Francisco for the Month ending March 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

April 17, 1889

Supt. U.S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for exam-

-ination and settlement, your Ordinary and Refinery accounts for the month ending March 31, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

April 17, 1889

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your statistical expense account for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 17th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

C. R. No. 2181 for $ 77.60 being on account of unexpended bal. of appro^n for Con. Ex. Office of Director of the mint, 1889 inclosed in your communication of the 15th instant has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your statistical accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury to the credit of the above appropriation for the collection of mining statistics.

Very Respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball, Director.

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April 17, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Referring to yours of the 16th, it is clear that by the fourth section of the Sundry Civil Appropriation Act, approved March 2, 1889, the 30th instant is a national and legal holiday, and should be observed as such by the mint.

I regret that there is any probability of the mint's running behind its quota this month in the coinage of silver dollars, especially as no gold coinage has interfered with its execution.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 17, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

C. D. No. 7334 for $1,000, being on account of Medal Fund Profits, Quarter ended March 31, 89 inclosed in your communication of the 16th instant, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Medal Fund account, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury to the credit of "profits" on the manufacture of medals and proof coins.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 17, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting Officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary Refinery Statistical & Standard Silver Dollar Accounts for the month ending March 31, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

April 17, 1889.

Assayer,
St. Louis.

Sir:

C. D. No. 1321 for $12.-, being on account of bullion assays inclosed in your communication of the 15th instant, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury; no personal credit to be given you in your accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt."

Very respectfully,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

April 17th, 1889.

Hon. Felipe F. Caicedo,
Minister of Finance,
Bogota, Colombia.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your esteemed favor of the 6th ultimo, and also of the publication mentioned therein,

Informe del Ministro de Hacienda.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director of the Mint.
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April 18, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary expense accounts of the Assayers in charge of the U.S. Assay Offices at Charlotte & St. Louis for the month ending March 31, 1889, rendered & due for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director of the Mint.
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April 18, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N.C.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting Officers of the Department for examination and Settlement, your Ordinary Expense account for the month ending March 31, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter sent to:

Assayer in charge U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

April 18. 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helina, Mon.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement a bill of the Pioneer Press St. Paul Minn. for Sub. from Jany 1 '89 Dec 31 89 - 1 year - amounting to $10.00 payable from the appropriation for Contingent expenses office Director of the Mint 1889 - Mining Statistics.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 18, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
New Orleans.

Coin eleven hundred thousand silver dollars this month.
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 18th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York.

+ Boston & Colorado
Smelting Company 75,000 Ounces, at $1.02688

+ Including overshipment of 15 000 ounces on previous sale.

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Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 18, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I return herewith medal fund voucher signed in duplicate for one hundred (100) bronze medals from the dies of the gold and Silver Life Saving Medals.

I also transmit herewith letter from the Superintendent of the Life Saving Service enclosing draft for $40.35 in payment for the medals and express charges on same.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 18th, 1889.

Le Directeur Général,
Administration de la Statistique Générale,
Brussels, Belgium.

Sir:

In reply to your communication of the 29th ultimo requesting that a set of the reports issued by this Bureau since 1880 on the "Production of the Precious Metals in the United States" be mailed you, except for the year 1884, which you say you have, I would say that copies of these reports for the years 1885, 1886 and 1887 have been mailed to-day to the address given in your letter.

The editions for the years prior to 1884 have been exhausted.

Hereafter the publications of this Bureau

will be sent to the address indicated in your letter.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 18, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Boston and Colorado Smelting Co.
Denver, Colo.

Your offer accepted for New Orleans, at ninety-two and sixty-eight hundredth cents per ounce fine.
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

April 18, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Clark Dodge & Co.,
51 Wall Street,
New York.

Your offer declined.
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Handy & Harman,
24 Nassau Street, New York.

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.,
29 Wall Street, New York.

Zimmerman & Forshay, 11 Wall Street, New York.

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April 19th, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 17th inst. you are informed that requisition was made on the 8th inst. for the "Statements of Checks drawn" referred to as having been asked for by you on the fourth. It will doubtless be several weeks before they can be furnished by the public printer, in the meantime the statements must be ruled and written by your clerks. Your requisition should have been made a month or six weeks earlier.

Respectfully yours,
R. E. Preston
Acting Director.

April 19th, 1889

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

The following blank Books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
4 Registers of Gold and Silver bullion deposits.

Very respectfully,
R. E. Preston
Acting Director.

April 19, 1889.

Telegram

Superintendent Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Confirmed

Clark, Dodge & Co's. have been notified to complete delivery on sale of April eighth.

R. E. Preston
Acting Director.

April 19th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

I transmit copy report Assayer U. S. Assay Office upon assay coins taken from the first and two subsequent deliveries in each week at your Mint during the month of March, 1889, and forwarded for test as prescribed by the Regulations.

The coins were found to be within the legal limits of tolerance.

Respectfully yours,
R. E. Preston
Acting Director of the Mint.

Similar letters, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco.

April 19, 1889.

Messrs. Clark, Dodge & Co.
#51, Wall Street,
New York.

Gentlemen:

The Superintendent of the Mint at New Orleans reports that you have not completed delivery on your sale of the 8th instant. I will thank you to do so without delay.

Respectfully yours,
R. E. Preston
Acting Director of the Mint.

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Mocatta & Goldsmid,
7 Throgmorton Avenue,
London, E. C., England.

Gentlemen:

I will thank you to send to this Bureau, hereafter, your weekly circulars relative to the price of Silver and the movement of the precious metals; and also your annual circulars.

If you have copies to spare I would be pleased to have you send your annual circulars covering the Calendar year 1887 and the Calendar year 1888.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 20, 1889.

Hon. W^m Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States, in the name of Gabriel Montigut, Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at New Orleans, the sum of Two Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars ($275,000.-) on account of profits on the coinage of Standard Silver dollars, and that the bullion fund of said mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
R. E. Preston
Acting Director of the Mint.

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April 20, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of $275,000.- to be deposited in the Treasury of the U. S. in your name, on account of profits on the coinage of standard silver dollars, and that the bullion fund of your Mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
R. E. Preston
Acting Director of the Mint.

April 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The following blank book for official use has been mailed you this day:

1 Book Supt's receipts for Silver Clippings.

Respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 22, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis be increased in the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution with the Assistant

Treasurer U. S. at St Louis.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

April 22, 1889.

Hon William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

On account of the necessity of executing a larger coinage of the one-dollar and three-dollar gold piece than is required for circulation for legitimate purposes, in order to prevent undue enhancement of commercial valuation above nominal value, I have the honor to recommend that your authority be given to suspend the coinage of these denomin-ations until further instructions.

This recommendation is in line with the action of Congress so far had on Bill H. R. 709, which was passed March 19, 1888 --- Amended so as to read:

"That after the passage of this act the following denominations of coin, namely, the three-dollar gold piece and the gold dollar shall not be struck or issued by the Mints of the United States."

A full statement of the objections to the continuance of the coinage of the denominations referred to will be found in the Finance Report, 1888 p. 162.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

April 22, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department:

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary expense account of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Boise City, for the month ending March 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 22, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Bullion accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia for the Quarter ending December 31, 1888, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 22, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City I. T.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary Expense account for the month ending March 31, 1889, with my

approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 22nd, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, I. T.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 16th instant in relation to the appropriation for "Repairs of Building" &c. for 1890 I would say that, as your successor has been appointed and the appropriation will not be available until after the 1st of July prox., nothing will be done in connection with the matter for the present.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

I will thank you to inform me whether letters to you of the 19th ultimo from this Bureau contained an account of the Central Pacific railroad, for $29.35, and the original D/F for 20000 lbs of Nitric acid shipped to your Mint on the 2nd of August last.

It was intended to enclose these papers to the Depot Quartermaster at San Francisco on the same date, but his reply states that there were no enclosures. If inadvertently enclosed to you, instead, please return.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball Director.

April 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and Settlement, your Bullion accounts for the Quarter ending December 31, 1888, with my approval.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated 17th showing value of gold bullion shipped your Mint by the Mint at Denver April 12th, is returned herewith for correction.

The net value of the deposit is reported as $45,097.21, while this Office makes the net value $45,094.41.

Please make the necessary corrections and return promptly.

Respectfully Yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 22, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars, ($25000.-) and that the same

be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at St. Louis.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 22, 1889.

Hon. W. M. Stewart,
Washington.

Sir:

Complying with your verbal request for a statement of the price paid for silver bullion at the Mint at Carson as compared with the price paid in Philadelphia and New York, prior to the suspension of coinage at Carson, I enclose a memorandum showing rates at which offers to sell silver bullion were on the same day accepted on the one hand for Philadelphia and New Orleans and on the other for San Francisco or Carson during a period of twenty-seven months preceding the death of Superintendent Crawford, March 8, 1885, when the Mint was closed until October 1885, when it was reopened as an assay office with acid refinery.

Rates paid over the counter for small deposits of silver were fixed by the Director at the same rate as paid at the Mint at San Francisco.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Highest Price paid for Silver Bullion delivered at Philadelphia or New Orleans, and the price paid or declined same date for delivery at San Francisco and Carson, between July 1, 1883, and June 30, 1885.

1883.

July 2	Paid Daniel Meyer, San Francisco	1.099
	" Boston and Colorado Smelting Co., New Orleans	1.1092
	" Handy & Cronise, Philadelphia	1.1096
	Declined Anglo-California for San Francisco	1.1035
Aug. 16	Paid Nevada Bank, San Francisco	1.09625
	" Boston and Colorado Smelting Co., New Orleans	1.107
	" J. & W. Seligman & Co. Philadelphia	1.1075
Sept. 20	Paid Anglo-California Bank, San Francisco	1.1025
	" Handy & Cronise, Philadelphia	1.1098
Oct. 18	Paid Daniel Meyer, San Francisco	1.1107
	" Handy & Cronise, Philadelphia	1.1123
	Declined Bank of California	1.1175
Dec. 13	Paid Nevada Bank, San Francisco	1.1050
	" Handy & Cronise, Philadelphia	1.1073
	" Boston & Colorado Smelting Co., New Orleans	1.1071

1884

Mar. 13	Paid Daniel Meyer, San Francisco	1.1215
	" Clark, Dodge & Co., New Orleans	1.1228
	" Handy & Cronise, Philadelphia	1.1224
May 15	Paid Boston and Colorado Smelting Co., New Orleans	1.1185
	" Watkins & Kaufman, San Francisco	1.1190
	" Handy & Cronise, Philadelphia	1.1187
July 3	Paid Jas. D. Colgate & Co., New York	1.11

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July 3 Declined Wohl & Pollitz, San Francisco 1.11
" Paid Daniel Meyer, San Francisco 1.108

Aug. 28 Paid Clark, Dodge & Co, New York 1.1091
" Daniel Meyer, San Francisco 1.109

Sept. 4 Paid Clark, Dodge & Co., New York 1.1102
" Daniel Meyer, San Francisco 1.1065

Dec. 18 Paid Boston & Colorado Smelting Co., Denver.
[for eastern delivery 1.0816

1885
Jany. 8 ~~Paid Clark, Dodge & Co., New York~~ . . . . . ~~1.0899~~
~~Declined E. Williams, Carson, Nevada~~ . . . ~~1.07~~

Feby 4 Paid Zimmermann & Forshay, New York 1.0835
" E. Williams, Carson, Nevada 1.07125

Mar. 5 Paid Handy & Cronise, New York 1.0746
" E. Williams, Carson, Nevada . . . 1.06375

April 22d, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

I will thank you to inform this Bureau by wire on receipt hereof how soon you can furnish 1,400 quarter Eagles of coinage of 1889. These coins are required for a special purpose in connection with the Department of State and unless they can be ready by the 25th inst. will be too late for the purpose intended.

Very respectfully
R. E. Preston
Acting Director.

April 22, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Clark Dodge & Co.
51 Wall Street,
New York.

Your offer declined.
Jas. O. Kimball
Director

Similar telegrams sent to:

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Kountze & Kerrnan,
24 Nassau Street,
New York.

Jacob Newman,
New Orleans.

J. W. Seligman & Co.,
New York.

Zimmermann & Forshay,
11 Wall Street,
New York.

April 23, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at St. Louis, Mo. to that of the U. S. Mint, at Philadelphia, of the sum of Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty

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$^{00}/_{100}$ Dollars, ($13,550.$^{00}/_{100}$,) in Gold Coin and Two Hundred and Thirty-eight $^{28}/_{100}$ Dollars ($238.$^{28}/_{100}$,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Thirteen Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-eight $^{28}/_{100}$ Dollars ($13,788.$^{28}/_{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, as shown by Memorandum dated April 18th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 23, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause a transfer to be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia to that of the Mints at San Francisco, of the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($3,500.~) which amount is to be shipped in quarter eagles, coinage of 1889.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 23, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City.

Sir:

C. D. No. 481 for $28.$^{00}/_{100}$, being on account of sweeps and grains inclosed in your communication of the 15th instant, has been received, properly indorsed and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts, and the

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amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt."

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Four (4) Similar letters, except as here noted, to same address (Boise):

C. D. No. 482 for $30.50, + + + bullion assays + + + + + + + + + + no personal credit to be given you in your accounts, + + + + + + + + + + +

C. D. No. 489 for $62.00, being on account of sale of old material + + + + + + + + no personal credit to be given you in your accounts, + + + + + + + + +

C. D. No. 490 for $225.14, + + + + charges for melting assaying and stamping + + + + + + personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts, + + + + + + + + + +

Two (2) Gold Medals - 1st prize - Competition of Distinguished Marksmen.

Four (4) Silver Medals - 2nd prize - Competition of Distinguished Marksmen.

Three (3) Gold medals - 1st prize - Division Marksmanship, same as heretofore known as "Army Skirmish prize" except that diameter of medal to be reduced to 1 3/4 inches, and the words "Division" substituted for "Skirmishing" on the pin.

Nine (9) Gold medals - 2nd class prize - Division Marksmanship same as heretofore known as "Second class prize, Army Division Marksmanship," (the word "Army" is now omitted) except the diameter of medal to be reduced to 1 5/8 inches.

Eighteen (18) Silver medals - 3rd class prize - Division Marksmanship, same as heretofore known as "third class prize, Army Marksmanship" except that diameter of medal to be reduced to 1 5/8 inches, and the pin to be same as that for the second class division prize.

Three (3) gold medals - 1st prize - Cavalry Competition, same as heretofore known as "first prize, Army Division Marksmanship" except that diameter of medal to be reduced to 1 3/4 inches.

Nine (9) gold medals - 2nd class prize - Cavalry Competition, same as heretofore known as "Division Skirmish prize", except that diameter of medal to be reduced to 1 5/8 inches. Pin same as for the first prize Cavalry Competition (the old first prize Army Division).

Eight (8) gold medals - 1st prize - Department Marksmanship, same as heretofore known as "Army Department Marksmanship" except that diameter of medal to be reduced to 1 5/8 inches. No other change. "A" herewith. Diameter of medal to be 1 1/2 inches, and pin for same as for old "Army Department Marksmanship."

Forty-eight (48) bronze medals - 3rd class prize.

(Two (2) Gold Medals - 1st prize - Cavalry Competition, same as heretofore known as "Department Skirmish prize," reduced to 1 5/8 inches - Pin same as for 1st and 2nd prize Cavalry Competition.)

(Eighteen (18) Silver medals - 3rd Class prize - Except the diameter of medal to be reduced to 1 5/8 inches.)

(Twenty-four (24) silver medals - 2nd class prize - Department Marksmanship, same design as awarded)

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Department Marksmanship, new design, marked "B" herewith. Diameter of medal to be 1½ inches, and pin same as for 1st and 2nd Department prizes.

Three (3) gold medals - 1st prize - Revolver Match, new design marked "C" herewith. Diameter of medal to be 1 5/8 inches. A pin having on it crossed revolvers.

Nine (9) silver medals - 2nd class prize - Revolver Match, new design, marked "D" herewith. Diameter of medal to be 1½ inches. A pin having on it crossed revolvers.

Eighteen (18) bronze medals - 3rd class prize - Revolver Match new design, marked "E" herewith. Diameter of medal to be 1½ inches. A pin having on it crossed revolvers

All of these medals to be supplied with pins etc. and cases as heretofore.

You will also please furnish two (2) copies of each of the foregoing medals in bronze but without cases.

I enclose herewith drawings of the new designs for medals required. You will observe that the size of the medals in a number of instances has been reduced from that formerly furnished. You will please cause the dies for the same to be prepared as early as practicable.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 23rd, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and Expenditures for the quarter ended December 31, 1888, has been examined in this Bureau and found to be correct in all particulars.

Respectfully yours, Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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Telegram Confirmed.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Report exact number of one dollar gold pieces, if any, and three dollar gold pieces, proofs or otherwise, struck for eighty nine; also number of dies manufactured for same year. Suspend coinage of same pieces until further orders.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director Mint.

April 23rd, 1889.

Supt. Mint U. S.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have today caused requisition to be made upon the Government Printer for the Medal Fund Vouchers requested in your letter of the 22nd inst. They will be forwarded as soon as received but in the meantime your clerk must be required to write the blanks necessary to continue the sale of medals.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 23, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia Pa.

Sir:

I have requested that a transfer of $3,500.- be made from the bullion fund of your Mint to that of the Mint at San Francisco, which amount you will ship upon receipt of transfer order in quarter eagles of the coinage of the current year.

Respectfully yours, Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 23, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have requested that a transfer of the sum of $3500.— be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia to that of your Mint, which sum will be shipped you in quarter eagles of the coinage of the current year and will be held by you until applied for by Hon. W. W. Morrow, who will give you other gold coin in exchange for the same.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 23, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco.

Sir:

C. D. No. 970 for $409.53, being on account of alloy charges inclosed in your communication of the 11th instant, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt."

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter, with exceptions here noted, to same address:

C. D. No. 971 for $6,450.06 + + + parting and refining + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + to the credit of the appropriation for parting and refining bullion. + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +

April 23rd, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended March 31, 1889, has been received.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 23, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated April 18, 1889 of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 85 dated April 1st 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $13,822.$\frac{23}{100}$, charges $33.$\frac{95}{100}$, and net value $13,788.$\frac{28}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 23, 1889.

Telegram

Hon. W. W. Morrow,
"Grand Pacific",
Chicago, Ill.

Quarter Eagles will be forwarded from Philadelphia Mint to the Superintendent of the San Francisco Mint who has been instructed to exchange them with you for other gold coin.

Jas. P. Kimball, Director Mint.

April 23, 1889.

Hon. W. W. Morrow,
"The Beresford"
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia will be instructed to forward to the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco $3,500.— in quarter eagles of current year's coinage. The Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco has this day been instructed to exchange the same with you for other gold coin.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 24, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Mint at Denver, Colorado, to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Forty-four Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty-eight $\frac{49}{100}$ Dollars, ($44,658.\frac{49}{100}$,) in Gold Coin, and Four Hundred and Thirty-eight $\frac{72}{100}$ Dollars ($438.\frac{72}{100}$,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Forty-five Thousand and Ninety-seven $\frac{21}{100}$ Dollars ($45,097.21) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Mint at Denver, as shown by Memorandum dated April 17, 1889, of Gold Bullion Deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 24, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Statistical Expense account of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Boisé City for the year ending June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 24, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, I. T.

Sir:

C. D. No. 494 for $60.60, being on account of bal. of appns. for Con. Ex. Office of Director of the Mint 89 inclosed in your communication of the 18th instant, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your statistical accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury to the credit of the above appropriation as a repayment.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 24, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, I. T.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for exam-

-mation and settlement, your Statistical account for the year ending June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 24, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers, for the Quarter ending March 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 24th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Your statement of Earnings and Expenditures for the quarter ended March 31, 1889 has been received at this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 24, 1889.

Assayer in charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated April 17, 1889 of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 25 dated April 12, 1889, has been received and examined, at

this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $45,210.68/100, charges $113.47/100, and net value $45,097.21/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the Bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 24, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
4 Coiner's work books.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 24, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 23rd instant stating that Messrs. Seligman & Co. are about 2,000 ounces short on their sale of the 11th instant and that they will have no more Dollars ships for the present, you are authorized to close the account and notify Messrs. Seligman & Co. that no more will be received on their Contract.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 24, 1889.

Mr. J. L. Brown,
Wilcox, Eck & Co. Pa.

Sir:

Your letter of April 23 and draft on New York for $40., said to be returned you in five cent pieces, have been received and referred to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia, to whom all orders for minor coins should be sent direct.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 25, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the Collector of Customs at the Port of New York be instructed to admit free of duty three books on coins by authors Hawkins, Kenyon and Montagu, imported for this Bureau with other books) in a case marked "B. Westermann & Co., 838, Broadway New York, No. 178," per Steamer "Umbria" from Liverpool.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 25th, 1889

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

The President having appointed Mr. J. W. Cunningham to be Assayer of the United States Assay Office

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at Boise City, Idaho, and having issued to him a commission to that effect, you will, on the exhibition to you by him of his commission and on receipt of notice by telegraph from this office turn over the office to him.

It is expected that he will enter upon duty on the 1st proximo.

You will therefore close your office to business on receipt of this letter and ship all the bullion in your possession to the mint at Philadelphia.

You will deposit the amount of all charges and profits and miscellaneous receipts from assays of ores, etc., in your possession, and forward the certificates to this Bureau.

You will telegraph to this Bureau a statement of the balance belonging to your bullion fund at New York, San Francisco and Boise City, separately, and forward a statement of the unpaid checks drawn by you against the same. No portion of these balances will be turned over to your successor in office. They will be transferred back to the Treasury at this Department.

You will deposit in the Treasury, after paying all outstanding bills incurred by you, the balance of advances made you from the appropriations.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have

been mailed you this day, viz:
300 Medal Blend Vouchers.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury for you to advertise in the "Bulletin" and "Chronicle", San Francisco, inviting proposals for supplies that will be required by your Mint during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 25th, 1889.

Hon. Hugh W. Weir,
Chief Justice Idaho Territory,
Boise City, I. T.

Sir:

I have this day caused to be mailed to your address the Commission of Mr. J. W. Cunningham recently appointed Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Boise City, and I will thank you to deliver the same upon receipt of the notification of approval of his bond, by the Secretary of the Treasury, which will be telegraphed you from this Bureau.

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 25, 1889.

George H. Lamborn, Esqr.,
Cor. 12th and M. Sts. (N.W.)
City.

Sir;

In reply to your postal of the 22nd instant, you are informed that the weight of a cubic foot of gold is 1,461 Troy pounds or 1,180 Avoirdupois pounds.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 25, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

American Exchange National Bank,
New York.

Your offer declined.

Jas. P. Kimball, Director.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Clark, Dodge & Co.,
51 Wall Street, New York.

Boston & Colorado Smelting Company,
Denver, Colo.

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.,
29 Wall Street,
New York.

April 26, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

Referring to your request of the 15th instant, you are informed that I have this day authorized the Superintendent of the Assay Office at New York to purchase for your Office one patent short-beam Becker balance with riders, and to cause the same to be shipped you by express.

I have also requested the Superintendent to cause vouchers, receipted in duplicate for this balance, to be forwarded to you, and upon receipt of the same you will transmit a draft for the amount to the parties from whom the balance is procured.

Respectfully Yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 26, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Sir:

The Assayer in charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, requests the purchase of one patent short beam Becker balance with riders, the price of which he states is $135.—. I have to request that you will purchase for the Helena Assay Office such a balance, taking care to secure one at the lowest price attainable and cause the same to be shipped by express as early as practicable.

Bills for this balance should be forwarded, receipted in duplicate to the Assayer in charge at Helena, who will upon receipt thereof, transmit a draft for

the amount.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 26th, 1889.

Assayer, U.S. Assayer Office,
St. Louis.

Sir:

C. D. No. 1318 for $126.27 being on account of melting, assaying and stamping inclosed in yours Communication of the 23rd instant, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Bullion Accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt".

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Two (2) Similar letters, except as here noted, to same address.

C. D. No. 1319 for $26.48 + + + gain on bullion
+ + + + + + + +

C. D. No. 1320 for $17.59 + + + + Deposit Room grains
+ + + + + + +

April 26, 1889.

Assayer, U.S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers, for the Quarter ending March 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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Supt U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

500 "Synopsis of Engineer's Log."

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 27½, 1889.

Gen. S. V. Benét,
Chief of Ordnance, War Department,
Washington D. C.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 17th instant requesting that certain Army Marksmanship medals be struck, your attention is called to the enclosed copies of letters from the Superintendent and Engraver of the Mint at Philadelphia stating that it is impossible to prepare the new dies and strike the medals required prior to the 1st of July, as it would require the engraving of twelve Obverse and three reverse dies for the medals and five dies for the riders, the last design for Obverse of medals submitted by you requiring three original models.

Medals could readily be struck from the dies heretofore used prior to the 1st of July, and the dies for the new medal [revolver match] could be prepared and the medals furnished by the 1st of September next.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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H. O'Connor Esq.,
Agent U. S. Express Cos.
Treasury Department.

Sir:

Your letter of the 22nd instant to the Treasurer of the United States, relative to the shipment by the U. S. Mint, at Denver, Col. of gold bullion to the Mint at Philadelphia by the Adams Express Co. who you state seek to collect of the U. S. Express Cos. $113.02 charges upon this bullion, has been referred to this Bureau, and in reply you are informed that inasmuch as Colorado is not embraced in the territorial limits of the U. S. Express Cos. with the Treasury Department, and an agreement already existing with the Adams Express Co. for the transportation of gold bullion from Denver to the Philadelphia Mint, no notice was given the U. S. Mint at Denver of a contract made by your Company with the Department.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 27, 1889.

Geo. F. Sanborn, Esq.
Cor. 12th and M. Sts. (N.W.)
City.

Sir:

In my letter of the 25th instant, the weight of a cubic foot of gold in avoirdupois, was erroneously given as it should have been stated as 1203.625. pounds.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball, Director of the Mint.

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April 24, 1889.

Mr. J. A. Brown,
Wilcox, Ex. & Co., Pa.

Sir:

Your letter of April 23 and draft on New York for $40, valued to be returned you in five old recent pieces, have been received and referred to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia, to whom all orders for minor coins should be sent direct.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 25, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the Collector of Customs at the Port of New York be instructed to admit free of duty three books on coins by authors Hawkins, Kenyon and Montagu, imported for this Bureau with other books) in a case marked "B. Westermann & Co., 838, Broadway New York, No. 178," per Steamer "Umbria" from Liverpool.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 25th, 1889

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

The President having appointed Mr. J. W. Cunningham to be Assayer of the United States Assay Office

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at Boise City, Idaho, and having issued to him a Commission to that effect, you will, on the exhibition to you by him of his Commission and on receipt of notice by telegraph from this office turn over the office to him.

It is expected that he will enter upon duty on the 1st proximo.

You will therefore close your office to business on receipt of this letter and ship all the bullion in your possession to the mint at Philadelphia.

You will deposit the amount of all charges and profits and miscellaneous receipts from assays of ores, etc., in your possession, and forward the certificates to this Bureau.

You will telegraph to this Bureau a statement of the balance belonging to your bullion fund at New York, San Francisco and Boise City, separately, and forward a statement of the unpaid checks drawn by you against the same. No portion of these balances will be turned over to your successor in Office.

They will be transferred back to the Treasury at this Department.

You will deposit in the Treasury, after paying all outstanding bills incurred by you, the balance of advances made you from the appropriations.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have

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First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Bullion accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at San Francisco for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1888, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 29, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Please forward immediately your statement of bullion Shipment No. 35.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 29, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

4,000 Blue cards. (Form No. 99.)
2,000 Red " " " 100

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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Supt. Mint,
San Francisco.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Bullion accounts for the quarter ending December 31, 1888, with my approval.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

April 29th, 1889

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Referring to gold deposits Nos. 99 and 102 on your abstract sheets for the quarter ending March 31, 1889, the assay reports should accompany these deposits so that the weight and fineness can be checked.

Please forward the assay reports covering these two deposits. The certificates and mint-receipts will be forwarded with the accounts in which the deposits are paid.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

April 29, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Boston and Colorado Smelting Co.,
Denver, Colo.

Your offer declined.
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegrams Sent to:

Clark Dodge & Co.
51 Wall Street, New York.

Zimmermann & Forshay
11 Wall Street, New York.

May 1, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Boise City to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Four Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-Eight 72/100 Dollars, ($4,898.72/100,) in Gold Coin, and One Hundred and Twenty-seven 85/100 ($127.85/100,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Five Thousand and Twenty Six 57/100 Dollars ($5,026.57/100,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Boise City, as shown by Memorandum dated April 26, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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May 1st, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, Mont. to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Fifteen Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-six $\frac{64}{100}$ Dollars ($15,966.$\frac{64}{100}$) in Gold Coin, and One Hundred and Twenty-five $\frac{32}{100}$ Dollars ($125.$\frac{32}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Sixteen Thousand and Ninety-one $\frac{96}{100}$ Dollars ($16,091.$\frac{96}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Helena, as shown by Memorandum dated April 27, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 1, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause a transfer to be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Newyork to that of the Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Thirty Eight Thousand, Eight Hundred Sixteen and $\frac{38}{100}$ Dollars ($38,816.$\frac{38}{100}$) payable in 45,026.$\frac{37}{100}$ ounces of Standard Silver bullion.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 1, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I would respectfully call your attention to the fact that the contract with the U. S. Express Company does not specify the rates which should be paid for the transportation of minor coins between the Mint at Philadelphia and places in the following states and territories viz: Arkansas, Arizona, Colorado, Dakota, Idaho, Wyoming, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, California and Oregon. For all but the last two it would appear that the same rates should be paid as to places in the states of Kansas Texas, Minnesota, Nebraska and Nevada 3½ per cent as provided in the contract.

As shipments of minor coins are now made by the mint to all the states and territories, I have respectfully to request that rates be obtained from the U. S. Express Co. for the transportation of minor coins to the states and territories not embraced in the contract.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 1st, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Replying to your dispatch of yesterday I telegraphed you to-day that your accounts would close with April 30th, but that you would include

the settlement of the last shipment to the Mint at Philadelphia, which will be telegraphed you when the net value is reported to this Bureau, and that you would deposit all charges and profits taking credit for the certificates in your accounts as of date of April 30th.

You have already been instructed to deposit the balance of funds advanced you from appropriations after paying all expenses incurred by you. After this is done you will render your final accounts of ordinary expenses.

You will also inform the Bureau of the exact amount standing to your credit as a bullion fund at New York, San Francisco and Boisé City, and the amount of each outstanding check.

None of the funds advanced you either for ordinary expenses or payment for deposits will be turned over to your successor. Funds for such purposes will be advanced him by the Department.

In your accounts for the period ended April 30th, you will declare the profit or loss on all shipments to the Mint at Philadelphia since the commencement of the present fiscal year, and forward with your bullion accounts a detailed statement showing the value of each shipment as ascertained by you and the value as allowed by the Mint.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 1st, 1889

Telegram

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Your bullion accounts will embrace the business to April thirtieth, including returns from last shipment to Philadelphia, which will be telegraphed

you, and the deposit of all charges and profits. Cunningham's bond approved today. Turn over office to him.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 1, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated April 26, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 36 dated April 20, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $3042.$^{48}/_{100}$, charges $15.$^{91}/_{100}$, and net value $5,026.$^{57}/_{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the Bullion Fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 1, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated April 27, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 35 dated April 20, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $16,131.$^{57}/_{100}$, charges $39.$^{55}/_{100}$, and net value $16,091.$^{96}/_{100}$. For the latter amount

a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 1, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Sir:

I have requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of your office to that of the Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of $38,816.38 payable in 45,026.37 ounces of Standard Silver bullion.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 1, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

You will please cause 1,100,000 Standard Silver dollars to be coined by your Mint during the current month.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

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May 1, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at New York to that of your Mint of the sum of $38,816.38 payable in 45,226.37 ounces of Standard silver bullion. When this bullion is received you will take it up as a purchase for the Standard silver dollar coinage and so treat it in your accounts.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 1, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 29th ultimo, you are authorized to procure an additional 50,000 lbs. of Bronze 1¢ Blanks at 34.9 cents per pound, as per contract rate.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 1st 1889.

James Penner Lee Esq.
Chief Clerk State Department
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of a communication from Hon. Charles Denby, United States Minister at Pekin, bearing date of February 15th, 1889, containing the replies to the interroga-

-tories contained in the circular of your Department bearing date of December 17, 1888, relative to the coinage, &c. of the Chinese Empire.

In reply to question No. 7 the Minister refers to his dispatches numbered 660 of July 9, 1888, and 731 of October 16, 1888, relative to the product of the Silver mines of China. The dispatches referred to have not been received at this Bureau, and as they bear on the matters covered by the interrogatories I would be pleased if you would transmit the originals or copies of such dispatches to this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 1st, 1889.

John W. Cunningham Esq.
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Your official bond executed in the sum of $25,000. and bearing date of April 24, 1889 has been approved and will be filed in the office of the First Comptroller of the Treasury.

You were instructed to-day by telegraph to subscribe to an official oath before a judge of the Territory, and to forward such oath to this Bureau and to enter on duty.

Your commission from the President was sent to Judge Hugh W. Weir, who was requested by telegraph to-day to deliver the same to you.

Funds for the payment of deposits will be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurers at San Francisco and New York and with the Boise City National Bank. You will be notified of the amounts by telegraph.

You were also instructed to forward to each

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of the Assistant Treasurers a facsimile of your signature.

You will make requisition on the form supplied the Boise City assay office for an advance of such funds from the appropriations for the support of the institution as will be needed to meet the expenses for the current month.

You will please familiarize yourself with the instructions and regulations governing the transaction of business at the assay office, and the laws governing the mint service. These will be found in the volume of instructions, a copy of which will be found at the assay office.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 1st 1889.

Telegram

John W. Cunningham
Boise City,
Idaho.

Your bond approved. Subscribe and forward oath before some judge and enter on duty. Telegraph when you have entered on duty and funds will be placed to your credit. Forward your signature to Assistant Treasurers at New York and San Francisco.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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Telegram.

Hugh D. Weir,
Chief Justice of Idaho.
Boise City, Idaho.

Please deliver commission to John W. Cunningham.
His bond has been approved.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 12, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers for the Quarter ending March 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 2, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Philadelphia be increased in the sum of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 2, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office
New York N. Y.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
4000 Blue Cards, Receipt.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 2d, 1889

Supt U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by drafts on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Clark Dodge & Co. 200,000 Ounces, at $0.9250

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Zimmermann & Forshay	75,000 Ounces, at	$0.9250
South National Bank	100,000 Ounces, at	$0.9250
J. & W. Seligman & Co.	100,000 Ounces, at	$0.9250
Handy & Harman	375,000 Ounces, at	$0.9250

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Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 27th ultimo asking information as to the rate to be paid for the transportation of silver and minor coins to the District of Columbia and certain states and territories, you are informed that the transportation of silver is covered by the contract of the U. S. Express Co. with the Treasury Department, and that the rate to be paid for minor coins to the District of Columbia will be 1 per cent.

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to obtain rates from the U. S. Express Co. for the transportation of minor coins to places in the states and Territories not named in the Contract, and as soon as a reply is received you will be duly advised.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 2, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia,

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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May 2, 1889.

Mr. R. C. Rothwell,
P. O. Box 1833,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your query of May 1st I have to say that the whole coinage of the mint at San Francisco passes into circulation on the Pacific Coast proper, so far as can be indicated in general terms. From any coinage statement, by mints, you will see what the proportion is between the gold coinages of the several mints.

It would be impossible to say what represents the circulation for any given period, unless the deposits at the Mint rather than the coinage of the mint, the former being paid for in coin, which is the mode of circulation from the mint. Taking any given period, as calendar or fiscal year, you can easily see what the relations are between deposits and coinage.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 2, 1889

W. H. Baird, Esq.
Rooms 76 & 77 Gibraltar Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 29th ultimo in relation to the redemption of mutilated coins, you are informed that no mutilated coins are received at their face value but for mutilated gold coins their coining value is paid on presentation at the Mints of Philadelphia, New

Orleans and San Francisco and Assay Office at New York.

Mutilated Silver coins have only a bullion value and are purchased by the Superintendents of the Mints at Philadelphia San Francisco and New Orleans at a rate fixed from time to time by this Bureau and which varies with the market price for silver bullion.

Mutilated minor coins (one cent bronze and five cent nickel) are neither redeemed by the Government or purchased as metal.

I enclose herewith circulars issued by the department covering these subjects.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

May 2, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Boston & Colorado Smelting Co.
Denver, Colo.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and half cents per ounce fine for New Orleans.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegram addressed to:

Clark, Dodge & Co.
51 Wall Street,
New York.

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Telegram Confirmed.

Handy & Harman,
24, Nassau Street
New York.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and half cents, per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

J. & W. Seligman & Co.,
New York.

Zimmermann & Forshay,
11 Wall Street
New York.

May 2d, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, City.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Accounts, Abstracts, and Vouchers, for the Quarter ending March 31st, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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May 3rd, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise City be increased in the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, ($50,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money and that the same be placed to the credit of J. W. Cunningham, Assayer in charge of said Institution as follows: viz:

$25,000 - with Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York
$15,000 - with Assistant Treasurer U. S. at San Francisco
and $10,000 with Boise City National Bank, Boise City, Idaho, by telegraph.

Very respectfully,
Jas. A. Kimball
Director of the Mint

May 3, 1889.

J. W. Cunningham, Esq.
Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit as follows, viz:

$25,000 - with Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York,
$15,000 - with Assistant Treasurer U. S. at San Francisco
and $10,000 with Boise City National Bank, Boise City Idaho, by telegraph.

Very respectfully,
Jas. A. Kimball
Director.

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May 3d, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for Delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Boston & Colorado Smelting Company 75000 Ounces, at $0.9250

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 3, 1889.

To the
Assistant Treasurer,
New York City.

Sir:

Mr. J. W. Cunningham has been appointed Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Boise City, Idaho, in place of H. T. Wald and entered upon his duties on the 2nd instant.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter addressed to:

Assistant Treasurer,
San Francisco, Cal.

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Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Sir:

In reply to your request of yesterday for instructions in regard to a telegraphic inquiry from St. Paul, Minn., as to the probable expense of making ten thousand medals of white metal, you are advised that the Mint cannot undertake to manufacture medals to any such extent, whether for national purposes or otherwise, without raising the question of the character of the metal.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 3, 1889.

Dr. Arthur M. Brush,
17 Cedar Street,
New York City.

Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of your letter of May 2 with two pieces of mutilated paper money (five and one-dollar notes), all of which have been referred to the Treasurer of the United States, to whom mutilated paper money for redemption should be sent direct.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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Mr. Chas. W. Johnson,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Sir:

The Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia again calls attention to the delay in returning the medals loaned you as the representative of the Minneapolis Exposition in 1887.

This matter is one which complicates the Mint accounts, and must be settled one way or the other either by collection of the bond for return of the medals.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 3rd, 1889.

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary Expense Account, with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the month ending April 30, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director

Similar letter except as here noted, to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Ordinary, Refinery & Standard Silver Dollar Coinage & Storage

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Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Carson be increased in the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200000.-) by a transfer of that amount in gold coin and that the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at San Francisco be instructed by telegraph to ship One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.-) of this sum to the Superintendent of said Mint and to place the balance, One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.-) to his credit.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 4, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Carson.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Mint be increased by a transfer of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000.-) in gold Coin by telegraph as follows, viz:

$100,000.- to be shipped you by the Assistant Treasurer at San Francisco.

$100,000.- to be placed to your credit with Assistant Treasurer at San Francisco.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 4, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed,

Superintendent Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Reduce purchasing rate of silver to ninety two and and one fourth cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar telegram sent to:

Superintendent, Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Hon. Wm Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

May 6, 1889.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in the name of Daniel M. Fox, Superintendent of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, the sum of Five Hundred and Twenty Thousand Dollars ($520,000.-) on account of profits on the coinage of Standard Silver dollars, and that the bullion fund of said mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 6, 1889.

Assayer in charge
U.S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N.C.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the Month of May

1889, has been approved for the sum of $234.30, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Office during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	1889,	$234.30
Wages of Workmen,		
Contingent Expenses,		

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letters, except as here noted, addressed to:

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon. $2000.00

Salaries,	1889,	$800.
Wages of Workmen,	1889,	1000.
Contingent Expenses,	1889,	200.

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo. $498.20

Salaries,	1889	$298.20
Wages of Workmen,	1889	200.00
Contingent Expenses,	1889	

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City, N. Y. $6000.00

Salaries,	1889,	$3,200.
Wages of Workmen,	1889,	2,000.
Contingent Expenses,	1889,	800.

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Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint.
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of May, 1889, has been approved for the sum of $2200.00, payable from the following appropriation made for the support of your Mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	1889	$1000
Wages of Workmen,	1889	1000
Contingent Expenses,	1889	200

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letters except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

$11200.00

Salaries	1889,	$2700.
Wages of Workmen,	1889,	6000.
Contingent Expenses,	1889,	2500.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

$21000.00

Salaries,	1889,	$3,000.
Wages of Workmen,	1889,	14,000.
Contingent Expenses,	1889,	4.000.

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Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary Expense Account, with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the month ending April 30, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter addressed to:

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

May 6th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of May 1st, authority is hereby granted you to purchase desk for the Melter at a cost not to exceed the price named. In regard to the carpets &c. requested in your letter of the 27th of Nov. last, to which you call attention, I have to say that if the "floor coverings" are only "threadbare" they should be made to serve your purpose for sometime to come, as it is not expected that a business institution, like a Mint or Assay Office, should be faultlessly carpeted or furnished.

If the Lawn-Mower and Hose were not returned to the dealer, upon the disapproval of the purchase, and you will now furnish the vouchers, I will approve their payment from the balance of your appropriation for contingent expenses for the last fiscal year.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball, Director.

May 6, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

The following blank book for official use has been mailed you this day, viz:

1 Book of gold Bars Exchanged for gold coin.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 6th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City, N. Y.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $6000.00 to meet the expenses of the refinery in connection with your institution during the present month, payable from the appropriation for "Parting and refining bullion."

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter except as to sum mentioned, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

$5000.00

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Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have today requested the Secretary of the Treasury

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because I have advanced you the sum of $5000. from the appropriation for the Coinage of Standard Silver Dollars, to meet, in part, the Expenses of your mint on account of that Coinage, during the current month.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 6th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Boston & Colorado Smelting Company 70,000 Ounces, at $0.9260

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

Similar letter except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Fourth National Bank,	150,000 Ounces,	at $0.9260
J. W. Seligman & Co.	80,000 Ounces,	at $0.9260
Nesslage, Colgate & Co.	82,000 Ounces,	at $0.9260
Handy & Harman	150,000 Ounces,	at $0.9260

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Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of $520 000 - to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States, in your name, on account of profits on the coinage of silver dollars, and that the bullion fund of your Mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 6th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Boston & Colorado Smelting Co.
Denver, Colo.

Your offer of twenty thousand accepted for New Orleans, at ninety-two and six tenth cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 6th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Clark Dodge & Co.
51 Wall Street
New York.

Your Offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and six tenth cents, per ounce fine, for New Orleans.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 6, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Your offer accepted.
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

May 6, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Handy & Harman,
24 Nassau Street,
New York.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and six tenths cents per ounce fine.
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.
29 Wall Street
New York.

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

Zimmermann & Forshay,
11 Wall Street,
New York.

May 7, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made

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from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Charlotte N Ct of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Thirteen Thousand and Thirty-two 26/100 Dollars ($13,032.26/100) in Gold Coin, and Eighty-five 97/100 Dollars ($85.97/100) in Silver Coin, making a total of Thirteen Thousand One Hundred and Eighteen 23/100 Dollars, ($13,118.23/100) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte, as shown by Memorandum dated May 2, 1889, of Gold Bullion Deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

May 7, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at St. Louis N Ct of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Eleven Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty-one 55/100 Dollars, ($11,261.55/100) in Gold Coin, and One Hundred and Ninety-three 96/100 Dollars ($193.96/100) in Silver Coin, making a total of Eleven Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty-five 51/100 Dollars, ($11,455.51/100) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, as shown by Memorandum dated May 2, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

May 7, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Assayer in Charge,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars have been placed to your credit at New York, Fifteen Thousand Dollars at San Francisco and Ten Thousand Dollars with the Boisé National Bank by telegram.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

May 7, 1889

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

You will please prepare and forward form of advertisement inviting proposals for the supplies that will be required by your institution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890, in order that the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury may be obtained for the publication of the same.

The contract for the supplies that will be required should be made in time to be approved by this Bureau prior to the 1st of July next.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letters addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

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Similar to letter on preceding page, except address:

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

May 7, 1889

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated May 2, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 4 dated April 29, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $13,151.$\frac{08}{100}$, charges $32.$\frac{85}{100}$, and net value $13,118.$\frac{23}{100}$: For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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May 7, 1889.

Assayer, U.S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N.C.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

500 Statements of Check's drawn. (Form No. 261 e.)

Very respectfully,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter except as here noted, addressed to:

Assayer, U.S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

(Form No. 261 f.)

May 7, 1889

Supt. U.S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

On the 8th ultimo, the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia reports the shipment to you of the (10) pairs Standard Silver dollar dies. No information has been received at this Bureau of the receipt of the same. Your early attention is requested.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 7, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
Rochford, N.Y.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

1 Book Journal of bullion deposits.
25 Gold bar books.
25 Silver " "

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 7th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement a bill of Palmer, Cunningham & Co. for Machine Screws & Screw Tap, amounting to $9.89c, payable from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses of your Mint, fiscal year 1888. Draft will be drawn to your order as requested in your letter of the 29th ultimo.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 7, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Your letter of the 29th ultimo to the Treasurer of the United States enclosing the account of Wells, Fargo & Co., amounting to $8.00 for transportation from San

Francisco & Seattle, Washington Territory, on $1000.; has been referred to this Bureau. You will pay this account from any moneys in your hand belonging to the Silver profit fund without regard to the coinage upon which it accrued.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 7, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated May 2, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, Shipment No. 86 dated April 29, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $11,487.$\frac{14}{100}$, charges $31.$\frac{63}{100}$, and net value $11,455.$\frac{51}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 7, 1889.

Mr. J. Fenner Lee
Chief Clerk of Department of State.

Sir:

Referring to yours of May 6 enclosing copies of Mr. Denby's Dispatches No. 660 of July 9, 1888 and No. 731 of October 16, 1888, it occurs to me to say that as the material communicated is not of a character to be used by this Bureau you

may wish to publish it as a Consular report.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 8th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Boisé City to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Eleven Thousand and Ninety-five 19/100 Dollars ($11,095-19/100,) in Gold Coin, and One Hundred and Fifty four 08/100 Dollars ($154.08/100,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Eleven Thousand Two Hundred and Forty-nine 27/100 Dollars, ($11,249.27/100,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Boisé City, as shown by Memorandum dated May 3, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 8, 1889

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Mint at Denver, Colo, to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Forty one Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty four 11/100 Dollars, ($41,754.11/100,) in Gold Coin, and Five Hundred and Twenty-three 72/100 Dollars ($523.72/100,) in Silver Coin, making a total

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of Forty-two Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy-seven $\frac{83}{100}$ Dollars, ($42,277.$\frac{83}{100}$,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Mint at Denver, as shown by Memorandum dated May 3, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 8, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated May 3, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 37 dated April 27, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $11,279.$\frac{50}{100}$ Charges $30.$\frac{23}{100}$ and net value $11,249.$\frac{27}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 8, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated May 3, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 26 dated April 29, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was

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found to be $42,388-43/100 charges $110 30/100, and net value $42,277 83/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 8th, 1889

Assayer, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Your statements of Deposits & Purchases and Bars manufactured during April 1889 are returned herewith for correction.

On form No. 61 you have reported 16,132 Fk. Ozs. gold and 23.27 Fk. Ozs. silver as production of Kansas should not these amounts be credited to Idaho?

On form No. 62, you have stated the amount of Silver domestic production to be 1,109.799 Fk. ozs. while the amount as reported on form 61, shows it to be 1,109.616 Fk. ozs.

The amounts reported on form No. 61½ are incorrect. It is not desirable to carry out the decimal more than three places in the case of gold and not more than two places in the case of Silver.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the Month of May, 1889,

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has been approved for the sum of $5500.00, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	1889,	$1700.00
Wages of Workmen,	1889,	3000.00
Contingent Expenses,	1889,	800.00

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter, except as here noted Dr:

Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.
$33500.00

Salaries,	1889,	$3,500.
Wages of Workmen,	1889,	25,000.
Contingent Expenses,	1889,	5,000.

May 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:
I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced upon the sum of $1500.00 to meet the expenses of the refinery in connection with your institution during the present month, payable from the appropriation for "Parting and refining bullion."

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter addressed Dr:
Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

May 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have to-day requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $12000. from the appropriation for the coinage of Standard Silver Dollars, to meet, in part, the expense of that coinage at your mint, during the current month.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 8, 1889

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent, Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Can you, without fail, coin one million nine hundred thousand silver dollars for May and June? Answer.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 8, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Can you, without fail, coin one million one hundred thousand silver dollars for May and June? Answer.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

May 8, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the authority of the

Secretary of the Treasury for you to advertise in the "Picayune" and "Times Democrat" for proposals for supplies that will be required by your Mint during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 8, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
500 Assayer's Reports (Gold) (Form No. 39 d.)

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 8, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 6th instant requesting to be informed if there is any way in which pay can be allowed the family of Albert Jamieson, deceased, for the month of May, you are informed that the law will not permit any allowance to be made after the date of death: You will pay the widow of the deceased up to and including the 3rd of May, the compensation to which the deceased was entitled at that date.

Enclosed herewith find blank forms of affidavit in cases where persons in the government service

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die intestate and leave no estate necessitating letters of administration. You can alter the affidavit to suit the purposes of this case and when the same is properly executed by the widow, you can pay her the amount due the deceased taking her receipt on the regular pay-roll and filing the affidavit with your accounts.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 8, 1889.

Gen. S. V. Benét,
Chief of Ordnance,
War Department.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 7th instant requesting that the army marksmanship medals ordered on the 17th ultimo, be made as soon as possible after the 1st of July, I will thank you to inform me whether they are to be struck from old dies or if the new dies (reduced size) are to be prepared and the medals struck from them.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

May 8, 1889.

Ministerium der Offentlichen Arbeiten,
Berlin.

I have the honor to acknowledge your obliging favor of the 24th April, together with the Lieferung to the Zeitschrift fur das Berg. Hütten u. Salinen Wesen.

These numbers are reversed, but whether by mistake of this Bureau I am unable to say, as no copy of my letter seems to have been preserved.

The numbers missing are as follows:

Second Heft of the Statistiche Liferung, XXXV Band, 1887.
Second Heft, XXXIV Band, 1886.
I regret that such a mistake has occurred, and return to you with my best thanks the numbers which you have been good enough to send, wishing I could make amends for the extra trouble.

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,

Jas. P. Kimball

Director of the Mint.

May 9th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Clark Dodge & Co. 100,000 Ounces, at $0.9284
Fourth National Bank, New York, 100,000 Ounces, at $0.9284

Respectfully yours,

Jas. P. Kimball

Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as here noted, to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Handy & Harman 300,000 Ounces, at $0.9284

May 9, 1889.

Telegram

Superintendent Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Desire nineteen Hundred Thousand Dollars for each month.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

May 9, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

I have replied to your inquiry by telegraph of yesterday to the effect that it is desired that nineteen hundred thousand (1,900,000) silver dollars be coined during the months of May and June, each. I am at a loss to understand why it was necessary to supplement my telegram of yesterday, which seems to me sufficiently explicit, as in no case should I have considered it necessary to telegraph you had it been contemplated to reduce the coinage to about half of your ordinary quota.

Our coinage of silver dollars for the year is short chiefly on account of your failure to make up for the short coinage in July last.

If it is undertaken to turn out 1,900,000 silver dollars for the present and following months, it is important that there should be no failure, as otherwise the coinage of the silver dollar would fall below the requirement of law.

In case there is any doubt about your ability to accomplish what is now desired I wish to be frankly informed, so that the deficiency may be made up by coining at San Francisco.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

May 9th, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended March 31, 1889, has been received at this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 9th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Clark, Dodge & Co.,
51 Wall Street, New York.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and eighty-four hundredth cents, per ounce fine for New Orleans.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.
29 Wall Street, New York.

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

Zimmerman & Forshay,
11, Wall Street, New York.

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May 9, 1889.

Telegram

Superintendent Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

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Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

May 9, 1889

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Director of the Mint.

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Philadelphia, Pa.

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New York.

Zimmermann & Forshay,
11, Wall Street, New York.

May 9, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Handy & Harman
24 Nassau St.
New York.

Your offer accepted.
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 9, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

It will be necessary for your Mint to coin 1,100,000 Silver dollars in both May and June. You will therefore make all the necessary preparations to secure this result.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

May 9th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended December 31, 1888, has been examined and found to be correct in all particulars.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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May 10, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary, Refinery and Stand. Sil. Dol. Coinage & storage accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia for the month ending April 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 10, 1889.

Assayer in charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City I. T.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your Office during the month of May .89, has been approved for the Sum of $835.00 payable as follows:

From the appropriation for Salaries $275.
" " " " Wages & Contingent Expenses 560,

The advance of this latter amount leaves to your credit a balance of less than $500. for the service of the month of June, and there are transportation bills now in this office amounting to upwards $20.00. The probabilities are that others will come in during the balance of the fiscal year amounting to as much more, but the chances are that the amount available will not exceed $450.00. Care must therefore be taken to contract no bills for materials &c. during the balance of the fiscal year, that are not actually necessary, otherwise it may become necessary to furlough a

portion of your force without pay, for part of the month of June.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 10, 1889.

E. T. Wild, Esq.
late Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary Expense Account, with Abstracts and Vouchers for the Month ending April 30, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter addressed to:

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

May 10, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary, Refinery and Stand. Sil. Dol. Coinage & Storage accounts for the month ending April 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball, Director.

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May 10th 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Penna.

Sir:

I have received your letter of the 9th instant enclosing a schedule of supplies required by your mint during the fiscal year.

As it is very doubtful whether the schedule could be printed before required by you, I return the same, and you are authorized to have the necessary number of copies printed.

Under the head of "Acids and Chemicals" I would call your attention to the item of 125 gallons of Alcohol, 95 per cent. I am at a loss to understand why so large a quantity of alcohol of this quality should be necessary. In fact I can see no reason why methylic alcohol would not answer for all the purposes of your mint.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

May 10, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Sir:

By your telegram of the 9th I note your form of expression "We will try it." The coinage of nineteen hundred thousand (1,900,000) silver dollars a month must be positively decided at this time, as no ordinary risk can be taken as to completing the minimum of two million dollars' worth of silver per month for the year closing June 30. Pray telegraph me in positive terms not later than to-morrow, as much time is lost in these preliminaries.

I write this decidedly so as to prepare for a

subsementary coinage at San Francisco for which preliminaries will be required and cannot further delay action.

As to overtime, I shall wish to know beforehand what class of employees will be required to make it, and how much overtime per diem.

After these points are settled by definite answers from you to-morrow, I shall notify you promptly whether or not dependence will be placed upon your Mint for the full amount specified (nineteen hundred thousand a month for May and June).

Respectfully yours,
Jas. A. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 10, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary and Standard Silver Dollar Expense Accounts with Abstracts and Vouchers for the month ending April 30, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. A. Kimball
Director.

May 10, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for Examination and settlement a bill of the Stationery division Treasury Department for Stationery shipped you March 26, '89, amounting to $134.79 payable from the

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appropriation for Contingent expenses of your Mint, fiscal year 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 10th 1889.

Geo. W. Moss, Esq.,
Agent, Adams Express Company,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I return herewith the account of the Adams Express Company for the transportation of gold bullion from the United States mint at Denver & that at Philadelphia during the month of April.

Your attention is respectfully called to the fact that in this account the charge for transportation is at the rate of $2.50 per thousand dollars. The contract rate, as per the letter of this Bureau of October 30, 1885, to C. P. Benedict, formerly Treasury agent of your company, is for $2.00 per thousand dollars, which rate will be paid until further notice.

I will thank you to correct this account accordingly.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 11, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Boise City to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the Sum of One Hundred and One 27/100 Dollars,

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($101.$^{27}/_{100}$) in Gold Coin, and Four $^{67}/_{100}$ Dollars ($4.$^{67}/_{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of One Hundred and Five $^{94}/_{100}$ Dollars ($105.$^{94}/_{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Boise City, as shown by Memorandum dated May 8th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 11, 1889.

Hon. Windom Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at St. Louis, Mo. to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Eleven Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety-five $^{51}/_{100}$ Dollars ($11,395.$^{51}/_{100}$) in Gold Coin, and One Hundred and Ninety-eight $^{26}/_{100}$ Dollars ($198.$^{26}/_{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Eleven Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety-three $^{77}/_{100}$ Dollars ($11,593.$^{77}/_{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, as shown by Memorandum dated May 6th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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May 11, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated May 8th, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 38 dated May 1, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $105.95/100, charges $0.01/100, and net value $105.94/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Telegram Confirmed

May 11, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Your letter does not state overtime, and from what class of employees. Supervising Architect says his work will not interfere with mechanical operations. Answer specifically my letter of yesterday.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director Mint.

May 11, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury for you to advertise

in the "News", "Inquirer" and "Press" of your city for proposals for Supplies that will be required by your Mint during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 11, 1889

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated May 6, 1889 of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 87 dated May 3, 1889 has been received and examined at this Bureau and the gross value was found to be $11,623.02/100 Charges $29.25/100, and net value $11,593.77/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 11, 1889.

To
The Phoenix Manf'g Co.
Taunton, Mass.

Gentlemen:-

In reply to your letter of the 9th instant, you are informed that the following papers will contain the advertisements for Supplies required by the mints in the cities named,- Sam

Francisco, "Bulletin" and "Chronicle" — New Orleans "Picayune" and "Times Democrat" — New York, "Tribune", "Graphic", "Mail and Express" — Philadelphia "News", "Press" and "Inquirer".

The papers for the other institutions have not yet been selected.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 13, 1889

Hon. William Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena be increased in the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution as follows viz: $50,000.- with Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York and $10,000.- with First National Bank, Helena.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 13th, 1889.

First Auditor
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary & Refinery expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Assay Office at New York for the month ending April 30, 1889, rendered & due for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 13, 1889

Telegram

Confirmed

H. F. Wild
Late Assayer, Assay Office.
Boise City, Idaho.

Philadelphia returns net value of shipment May first as One Hundred and Five Dollars and Ninety Four Cents. Transfer requested eleventh instant.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

May 13, 1889.

Sprville Braden, Esq.
Assayer U. S. Assay Office.
Helena, Mon't.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Sixty Thousand Dollars, ($60,000.-) and that $50,000 of this amount be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York and balance of $10,000 with First National Bank at Helena.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 13th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Herewith returned for correction, please find pay-roll of the Melter & Refiner's department of your Mint for the month of April. It will be observed that the pay for extra service, in the cases of Denot and McCay, does not correspond with the credit given each for overtime. The roll

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shows that Penot made 4 hours less overtime than Mc Coy and yet is paid $1.50 more. Please correct & return the roll at the earliest possible moment.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Boston & Colorado Smelting Company 180,500 Ounces, at $ 0.9268

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office
New York City.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary and Refinery Expense accounts for the month ending April 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury for you to advertise in the "Tribune", "Graphic" and "Mail and Express", inviting proposals for supplies that will be required by your office during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 23, 1889.

Telegram confirmed

Superintendent, Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Shall depend upon you to coin Nineteen Hundred Thousand Dollars in both May and June.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

May 23, 1889.

Telegram confirmed

Boston & Colorado Smelting Company,
Denver, Colo.

Your offer accepted for New Orleans, at ninety-two and fifty-eight hundredth cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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Clark, Dodge & Co.
51 Wall Street,
New York.

Your offer declined.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Handy & Harman,
24, Nassau Street
New York.

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

Zimmermann & Forshay
11, Wall Street
New York.

May 14, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at New Orleans be increased in the sum of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U.S. at New York.

Very respectfully,

Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 14, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary and Refinery expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Carson City Nev. for the Month ending April 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Note disallowances recommended on abstracts.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball.
Director of the Mint.

May 14, 1889.

late, Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, I. T.

Sir:

C. D. No. 505 for $61.30 being on account of Salaries unexpended, U. S. Assay Office, Boise City, 1889, inclosed in your communication of the 1st instant, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Ordinary accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a repayment to the credit of the appropriation for Salaries of your Office, fiscal year 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter, except as herein noted, to same address:

C. D. No. 506 for $115.47 + + + + unexpended balance of Wages and Contingent Expenses, Assay Office at Boise City, + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + as a repayment to the credit of the appropriation for wages and Contingent expenses of your Office, fiscal year, 1889.

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May 14, 1889.

Supt. Mint U. S.
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting Officers of the Department for examination and settlement your Ordinary and Refinery expense accounts for the month of April, 1889, with my approval, except petty voucher No. 4 Ordinary account, which is erroneously footed, the correct amount being $13.50 instead of $14.00, and voucher No. 60 of the Refinery account the second item of which is incorrectly calculated. The correct amount being $72.52, not $72.57, as entered. I have recommended the aggregate of these errors, 55¢, to be disallowed.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 14th 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have this day approved and referred for payment a bill of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, amounting to $255.80 for the manufacture of 10 pairs of Standard Silver Dollars dies for the use of your mint - Nos 70 to 79, inclusive, obverse & reverse.

The amount will be paid from the appropriation for the coinage of Standard Silver Dollars, and covered by transfer Warrant to the credit of the following appropriations U. S. Mint - Philadelphia, 1889.

Wages of Workmen,	$245.60
Contingent Expenses	10.20

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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May 14, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of One Million Dollars ($1,000,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 14th 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have this day approved and referred to the proper accounting Officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your bill of the 8th ultimo, amounting to $255.80 for the manufacture of 10 pairs of Standard Silver Dollar dies for the use of the New Orleans Mint. The amount will be paid from the appropriations of your Mint, 1889:

Wages of Workmen —	$245.60
Contingent Expenses —	10.20

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 14., 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 25th ultimo in reference

to army marksmanship medals. I have to state that it is the desire of the Chief of Ordnance, U.S. Army, that the medals should be struck as early as practicable after the 1st of July, in accordance with instructions contained in my letter of the 23rd ultimo.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 14, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Prof. Langley will send you two reliefs and a photograph of Professor Henry of the Smithsonian Institution, including a cast prepared for a medal at the mint about the time of his death. This likeness is not considered as good as the life-size by St. Gaudens.

This material is sent for the preparation of a medallion relief of Professor Henry for some future use, and for the present purpose of preparing an intaglio head for an official seal for the Smithsonian Institution. This seal should be an ellipse, as follows, 24 mm. on the major, by 21 mm. on the minor, axis.

Please instruct the engraver to do away with the collar and neckcloth, so as to conform to the mint head, but to improve the portraiture from the larger medallion, if possible.

If this head is made like an ordinary die, I think it will answer all the purposes, especially if it can be protected from rust; and a copy of the same die would answer for a medal.

The die could then be mounted as a seal. I suppose this would be easier to do than to cut an intaglio in brass.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco.

Sir:

I may send you a rate for the next few silver-purchasing days (Mondays and Thursdays) so as to provide for the purchase of some two hundred thousand (200,000) ounces of doré silver, in order to provide at your institution for any emergency by way of filling a deficiency in coinage of the standard silver dollar at the eastern mints, where it has proved desirable to have this coinage executed.

You will understand, however, that no coinage shall be undertaken until special instructions are sent you from this Bureau.

It would be desirable, however, to have the bullion put through the refinery as speedily as possible, so as to be able to execute some coinage at short notice before the end of this fiscal year, if an emergency growing out of the mandatory character of the law should require such coinage.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 14th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

No authority can be given for closing the Assay Office at St. Louis on Saturdays as proposed in your letter of May 11, legal requirements of the public service not allowing other than general holidays.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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J. C. Brown, Esq.,
New York Produce Exchange,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 13th instant, you are respectfully informed,

1st. The number of silver dollars coined since the passage of the Bland act to May 1, 1889, was $327,074,535.

2nd. The amount of silver dollars in circulation, that is outside of the Treasury, on the same date was $55,747,772.

3rd. The amount of silver certificates outstanding on the same date was $254,939,203.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 15, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary expense account of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Mint at Denver, Colo. for the month ending April 30, 1889, rendered in duplicate for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter with exception here noted, to same address:

+ + + + + +
+ + of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, Mon.,
+ + + + + +

May 15, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary Expense account for the months ending April 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. E. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter addressed to:

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

May 15, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent, Mint,
New Orleans, La.

State by wire close of business today, cost of local purchases.

R. E. Preston,
Acting Director.

May 15, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

25 Records of Coins Reserved for Annual Assay

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Form No. 125.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 15th, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers, for the Quarter ending March 31, 1889.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia.

May 15, 1889.

Assayer in charge U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury for you to advertise in the "Globe Democrat" of your city for proposals for supplies that will be required by your office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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Messrs. James Wadsworth & Son,
5 Wall Street,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

Until further action by Congress, coinage of the one-dollar gold piece is limited to an amount sufficient to prevent, as far as practicable, the few "proof pieces" required from having enhanced value, no general demand occurring for this denomination except for purposes of mutilation.

In distributing this small coinage, the rule has been adopted at the mint at Philadelphia of issuing it for change purposes, and in small amounts only.

Applications from individuals for considerable amounts are always declined.

Applications for small amounts should be made to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 16, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary Refinery Stand. Sil. Doll. & Statistical accounts of the Superintendent of the U.S. Mint at San Francisco for the month ending April 30, 1889 rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 16, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I am advised by the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the shipment to you on the 15th instant, of ten (10) pairs silver dollar dies. You will please promptly acknowledge receipt of these dies to this Bureau in order that the account for the same may be settled within the current quarter.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 16, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

In reference to the application for leave of absence by the Assayer of your institution I have to say that the reasons given are not regarded as of a public character, while the time asked for is so much longer than usual that I have referred the application to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In compliance with request of Messrs. Hands & Harman under date of the 15th instant for an extension of time in which to complete delivery

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of their sale of 300,000 ounces on the 9th instant, an extension of a week has this day been granted them.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 16, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary Refiners S. S. Dollar & Statistical accounts for the month ending April 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 16, 1889.

Samuel B. Wright Esq.,
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of a Commission from the President, bearing date of the 15th inst., appointing you Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Carson City, Nevada.

I transmit herewith blank form of official bond with affidavits of sureties, which you will please execute in the penal sum of $100,000. and forward to this Bureau. Upon approval of your bond your Commission will be forwarded to you and on its receipt you will subscribe to an oath of office before a Judge of the U. S. Court, or of a Court of record, and

enter on duty at your convenience.
In order to avoid delay by reason of informality, your attention is specially called to the foot notes of the bond.
You will arrange with Mr. Garrard the details of the transfer of the mint to you.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

May 16, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Clark Dodge & Co.
57 Wall Street
New York.

Your offer declined.
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegrams Sent to:

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Handy & Harman,
24 Nassau Street,
New York.

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.,
29 Wall Street, New York.

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

Zimmermann & Forshay,
11 Wall Street, New York.

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Messrs. Handy & Harman,
24 Nassau Street
New York.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 15th instant stating that you may possibly be short some 25,000 ounces on delivery of your sale of 300,000 sale of the 9th instant within the ten days' limit and asking an extension of a few days. An extension of seven days or a week is granted in which to complete the delivery.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

May 17, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause the following funds standing to the credit of H. F. Wild, Assayer in Charge, with the Assistant Treasurers at New York and San Francisco and the Boise City National Bank, to be transferred from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office, Boise City, Idaho, to the Treasury of the United States, viz:

With the Assistant Treasurer at New York	$45,129.17
With the Assistant Treasurer at San Francisco	36,895.69
With the Boise City National Bank	1,630.80

The amount to the credit of Mr. Wild, as Assayer in Charge, with the Assistant Treasurer at New York is 39¢ more than the amount for which a transfer is requested, but there is an outstanding check for this amount issued in 1886.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

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Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in the name of Gabriel Monteguth Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at New Orleans, the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars ($300,000.00) on account of profits on the coinage of standard Silver dollars and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 17, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary expense accounts of the Assayers in Charge of the U. S. Assay Offices at Boise City and Charlotte for the Month ending April 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 17, 1889.

J. W. Cunningham, Esq.,
Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office, Boise.

Sir:

Since the appointment of Porter Pride as clerk

of your Office was approved in conformity to your letter of the 10th instant. The question has arisen in the Department whether this is the same person as D.C.C. Pride. If so his name should be given in full and the letter of appointment be made accordingly.

Respectfully yours.

Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

May 17, 1889.

E. T. Wild.
Late Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the following sums standing to your credit with the Assistant Treasurers at New York and San Francisco and the Boise City National Bank to be transferred from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Boise City, to the Treasury of the United States, viz:

With the Assistant Treasurer at New York	$45,129.17
With the Assistant Treasurer at San Francisco,	36,895.69
With the Boise City National Bank	1,639.80

The amount to your credit as Assayer in Charge with the Assistant Treasurer at New York is 39¢ more than the amount for which transfer is requested, being the amount of unpaid checks outstanding as stated by you.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

In common with the officers in charge of the other institutions, you are requested to transmit to this Bureau each month the original of the statement of checks drawn rendered you for the preceding month by Subtreasuries, and also of "Statement of Disbursing Account (Form 8a, National Banks)" from depository banks, in which public moneys may have been deposited to your official credit.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter addressed to:

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

May 17, 1889.

late Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, I. T.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement your Ordinary expense account for the month ending April 30th, 1889, with my approval.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director

Similar letter addressed to:

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

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Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nevada.

Sir:

In common with the Officers in Charge of the other institutions you are requested to transmit to this Bureau each month the original of the statement of checks drawn rendered you for the preceding month by the Subtreasuries in which public moneys may have been deposited to your official credit.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 17th, 1889

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

Upon examination it appears that the pay-roll of Officers and Clerks of your Office for the month of March last, was not signed by your Assistant Mr. Geo. B. Cannia. To avoid suspension of the account I will thank you to cause him to sign a loose receipt for the amount of his pay for the month, $107.66, and forward same with as little delay as possible.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 17, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

In common with the Officers in Charge of

the other institutions you are requested to transmit to this Bureau each month the original of "Statement of Disbursing Account (Form 8a, National Banks)" rendered you for the preceding month by depository banks in which public moneys may have been deposited to your official credit.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 17, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of $30,000.- to be deposited in the Treasury of the U. S. in your name, on account of profits on the coinage of Silver dollars and that the Bullion fund of your Mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 17th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Referring to the bills for the transportation of Silver dollars, accompanying your bullion and coin accounts for the quarter ended March 31, 1889, your attention is respectfully directed to the following errors and overpayments, viz:

In the bill of September, under date of the 17th page 10, there is a shipment to Burton, Texas, the distance to which is given as 583 miles and

and the amount $1.07. The distance should be 446 miles and the payment 89 cents, making an overpayment of 18 cents.

Under date of the 18th, page 13, there is a shipment of $2,000 to Brian, Texas, the distance to which is given as 461 miles and the payment $5.53. The payment should be $3.68, an overpayment of $1.85. The total overpayment in this bill is $2.03.

In the bill for October there is a shipment on page 2, under date of October 1st, to Greenwood, Mississippi, the distance to which is given as 381 miles and the amount charged 56 cents, making an overpayment of 20 cents.

Under date of October 4th, there is a shipment to Dallas, Texas, the distance to which is given as 515 miles and the payment as $14.42. The distance should be 511 miles and the payment $14.31, an overpayment of 11 cents.

On page 7 there is a shipment to the same place, the amount charged being $10.30. It should be $10.22, an overpayment of 8 cents.

The total overpayments in this bill amount to 39 cents.

In the bill of November, under date of the 19th, on page 20, there is a shipment to Jackson, Tennessee, the amount charged being $2.74, while it should be $1.77, making an overpayment of $1.00.

Under date of the 30th, on page 30 there is a shipment to Mercer Station, Tennessee, the distance charged being for 500 miles and the rate $2. The distance should be 457 miles and the rate $1.82, making an overpayment of 18 cents.

The total overpayments in this bill amount to $1.18.

The total overpayments in the three bills amount to $3.60.

There are no vouchers for the shipments under

date of October 19, as follows: $1,000 Jackson to Morton, $1.; $500 Jackson to Bolton, 50 cents; $500 Jackson to Lake, 50 cents; $500 Jackson to Edwards, 50 cents; $500 Jackson to Bolton, 50 cents; $500 Jackson to Morton, 50 Cents.
October 11th, $500 Shreveport to Arcadia, 50 cents.
Your attention is also directed to the following voucher, herewith returned, for the shipment from Pittsburg, Texas to Daingerfield, Texas. The amount of the shipment is reported as $500, while the charge imposed is for $1,000. You will please return this voucher.
I will await your reply to this letter and any explanation you may have to offer in regard to these shipments before returning the bills and abstracts and the accounts for correction. I think it would be best to have the corrections made in the accounts of the quarter in which the payments are taken up, rather than in a future account.

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 17, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:
The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
300 Medal Fund Vouchers.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 15th instant requesting that tables of distances be furnished you for checking the bills of the express Company for shipment of silver coins, you are respectfully informed that the distances published by the Quartermaster's Department, copies of which have been furnished you, will govern the shipments to places enumerated in it, and that for other places you will take the shortest distance from Philadelphia by continuous lines of railway as shown by the "Railway Guide".

Under the new contract the rate for shipping silver coin is so low that most of the shipments will be paid the "minimum rate", so that there will be very little verification of the distances required on your part, but before paying any bill of the express Company for shipping silver coin you will see that the distances charged for, except where the minimum rate is imposed, do not exceed the shortest distance by the "Railway Guide".

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 17th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Sir:

C. D. No. 7357 for $258.59 1/2 being on account of minor coinage profits inclosed in your communication of the 15th instant, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary

of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as profits on minor coinage.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 17, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

In common with the Officers in charge of the other institutions you are requested to transmit to this Bureau each month the original of the statement of checks drawn rendered you for the preceding month by subtreasuries in which public moneys may have been deposited to your official credit.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 17th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Herewith enclosed please find voucher #575 of your Ordinary expense account for April 89, which is returned to you for explanation and correction, if necessary. You will notice that the second item, "150 lbs. C.P. Nitric Acid. 18¢" is extended $30.50 instead of $27.00 the correct amount.

If the difference is the price of the carboy it should be so stated, but it would seem to be an extravagant charge for a single carboy.

Please return voucher without delay.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 17th, 1889.

Gen. William Warner.
[Warner Bleas & Hagerman]
Kansas City, Mo.

Sir:

The product of gold and silver in the United States during the calendar years 1887 and 1888 was, according to the estimates of this Bureau, as follows:

	Gold		Silver	
Years	Fine Ounces	Value	Fine Ounces	Value
1887...	1,596,375	$33,000,000	41,268,305	$53,357,000
1888...	1,604,841	33,175,000	45,783,632	59,195,000

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 18, 1889.

Assayer in charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury for you to advertise in the "Chronicle", inviting proposals for supplies that will be required by your office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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Assayer U. S. Mint
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

On the 8th instant statements Nos. 60, 61 and 61½ for the month of April were returned to you for the reason that they contained an error in the amount of domestic product credited Kansas and for the additional reason that the silver deposits entered on form 61 did not agree with the corresponding entry on form 60, nor did the total gold and silver deposits entered on form 60 agree with the amount on form 61½.

These statements are again returned herewith marked in blue pencil "A." for the purpose of identification. These statements were returned to this Bureau with corrected ones which are also herewith returned you, the corrected statements being incorrect.

The domestic product of gold and silver entered on form 61 should agree with the first entry under gold and silver on form 60, and the total of the gold and silver entries on form 60 should agree with the total gold and silver on form 61½.

The statements are perfectly plain, the amount to be entered being indicated by the printed items, and it is a matter of surprise that the preparation of so simple a set of statements should have been incorrect in the first place, much more so after they were returned and attention directed to their incorrectness.

Form 61 is a statement of domestic bullion only, deposited at your Institution, classified by producing states. Form 60 not only includes the domestic product but any other material such as coin or old material, deposited, while form 61½ must embrace the entire deposits, all

of them being made into "imparted bars."

I ask that you forward corrected statements covering the month of April, and to return the ones herewith sent you.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

1 Time Book
1 Book of Assayer's Reports;
1 Assayer's Register of Silver Bullion.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball

May 18th, 1889

Hon. Whitelaw Reid.
United States Minister,
Paris, France.

Sir:

The esteemed communication of your predecessor, bearing date of the 1st instant, transmitting a report from the French government on the coinage, movement and production of the precious metals during the calendar year 1888, as instructed by the circular letter of the Department of State dated December 17, 1888, has been received at this Bureau, together with three printed documents mentioned in the close of the letter.

Referring to that part of the letter of Minister McLean requesting that information of the same kind be

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transmitted to the Minister of Finance, I have the honor to state that the publications of this Bureau have, for a number of years, been mailed to the Minister of Finance. It has not been the practice, however, to send such documents through the legation of the United States, but if it is considered more desirable this will be done in future.

A package has been mailed to your Legation to-day containing six copies of the fiscal report of this Bureau (1888), and six copies of the report on the Production of Gold and Silver (1887) for distribution by your Legation.

The publication by the Ministry of Finance, Systèmes Monétaires des différents Pays, is a document of value to this Bureau, I should be pleased if the future numbers of this publication be forwarded to this Bureau as fast as published.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 20, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise City be increased in the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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May 20, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, Mo. be increased in the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25 000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution with the Assistant-Treasurer U. S. at St. Louis.

Very respectfully
Jas. C. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 20, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50 000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant-Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

May 20th 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Henry T. Wild
Care of United States Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

In bullion accounts for quarter ended March, you failed to credit Transfers numbers Sixteen

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six fifty and sixteen seven nought four amounting to eighteen thousand eight sixty-six dollars three cents covering shipments of January nineteenth and February ninth. Forward corrected accounts and if final accounts forwarded send corrected ones. Letter.

Jas. P. Kimball.
Director of the Mint.

May 20th 1889.

Henry T. Wild Esq.
Late Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir.

Referring to your bullion and coin accounts for the quarter ended March 31, 1889, you were telegraphed today that two transfer orders, Nos. 16,650 for $6,231.42 and No. 16,704 for $12,634.61, covering your shipments of January 19th and February 9th to the Mint at Philadelphia, had not been taken up in your accounts for that quarter, and instructing you to prepare and forward corrected accounts for the quarter in question, and also corrected final accounts if your final accounts had been forwarded.

The amount of the transfers from your bullion fund during the quarter, as shown by the books of the Department, was $151,992.29 and the balance to the credit of your bullion fund $128,010.31.

You will please forward a corrected set of accounts in lieu of those returned, and return the ones herewith sent you, at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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May 20, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

In yours of May 13, in reference to the adoption of electric-lighting, you do not state the number of lamps that will be required, nor the rate per lamp.

Your proper course would be to submit a proposal from the electric-lighting company, specifying the character of the service, number of lamps and rate per lamp; the service to be discontinued in case of failure to give satisfaction. I can then decide as to the economy and practicability of the introduction of this mode of lighting.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 17, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

In common with the officers in charge of the other institutions you are requested to transmit to this Bureau each month the original of the statement of checks drawn rendered upon for the preceding month by Subtreasuries, and also of "Statement of Disbursing Account (Form 8a, National Banks)" from depository banks, in which public moneys may have been deposited to your official credit.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 20, 1889.

Assayer, U.S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at St. Louis.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 20, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Clark, Dodge & Co.
51, Wall St., New York.

Your offer declined.
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

Zimmermann & Forshay,
11 Wall Street,
New York.

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May 21, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Boise City to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, the sum of Eight Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-one 69/100 Dollars ($8991.69/100,) in Gold Coin, and One Hundred and Six 16/100 Dollars ($106.16/100,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Nine Thousand and Ninety-seven 85/100 Dollars ($9,097.85/100) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Boise City, as shown by Memorandum dated May 17, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 21, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, the sum of Twenty-eight Thousand and Thirty-Seven 69/100 Dollars ($28,037.69/100.) in Gold Coin, and Two Hundred and Seventy 03/100 Dollars ($270.03/100.) in Silver Coin, making a total of Twenty-eight Thousand Three Hundred and Seven 72/100 Dollars ($28,307.72/100.) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office

at Helena; as shown by Memorandum dated May 17, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 21, 1889

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for examination and settlement, the Bullion accounts of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Charlotte N. C. for the Quarter ending March 31, 1889, rendered for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 21, 1889

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary and Standard Silver Dollar Expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at New Orleans for the month ending April 30, 1889, rendered for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 21, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated May 17, 1889 of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 39 dated May 17th, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau and the gross value was found to be $9,122.21/100, Charges $24.36/100, and net value $9097.85. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 21, 1889.

H. T. Wild, Esq.
Late Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

I enclose herewith duplicate certificate of deposit covering the transfer to the Treasury of the United States, of $45,129.12, the amount standing to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer at New York on account of the bullion fund.

You will please render a transcript of the bullion fund up to the date you turn the office over to your successor debiting the amount transferred to the Mint since rendering last transcript and the amount of balances standing to your credit on account of the bullion fund with the Assistant Treasurers at New York and San Francisco and the

Boise City National Bank.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 21st, 1889

Assayer, U.S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N.C.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended March 31, 1889, has been examined in this Bureau and found to be correct in all particulars.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 21, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement your Bullion accounts for the Quarter ending March 31, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 21, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Please forward itemized statement (Form No. 134 a.) of shipment of Gold Bullion

No. 27, made May 17th, to Philadelphia Mint.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 21, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated May 17, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 36 dated May 11, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau and the gross value was found to be $28,379.$\frac{52}{100}$, Charges $71.$\frac{80}{100}$, and net value $28,307.$\frac{72}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 21, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
New Orleans La.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary & Standard Silver Dollar Ex. accounts for the month ending April 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director

May 21, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
50 Blank Bonds & Accompany Proposals for Mint and Assay Office Supplies.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 21st, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith enclosed please find Treasury draft for 89 cents, drawn in the order of the firm of Palmer, Cunningham & Co, limited, in payment of bill forwarded by you on the 1st inst.

The Treasurer was requested to draw draft to your order but you will observe that the request was not complied with. The endorsement of the firm will, however, enable you to make the re-imbursement mentioned in your letter. Please acknowledge receipt.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 21st 1889.

E. D. Linn, Esq.
Collector of Customs,
Eagle Pass, Texas.

Sir:

Referring to the statement of imports of Silver ore

forwarded monthly to this Bureau, I will thank you to inform me whether the figures entered in the column of "tons of 2000 pounds" are intended to represent tons and decimals of a ton, or tons and pounds, or pounds only.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 21, 1889.

W. C. Fargo Esq.
General Manager U. S. Express Company,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Your letter of the 20th instant submitting a proposal to carry gold and silver bullion from Denver, Col. to the mint at Philadelphia has been received. I have to request that you will make the offer to cover a specific period of time and to terminate an agreement as provided in Section 12 of your contract with the Treasury Department under date of March 31, 1889.

No silver bullion is transported by the government from the mint at Denver to the Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 22, 1889.

Hon. William Windom.
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Mint at Denver, Colo. to that of the U. S. Mint at

Philadelphia, of the sum of Forty-eight Thousand One Hundred and Forty Nine $\frac{46}{100}$ Dollars ($48,149.$ $\frac{46}{100}$ in Gold Coin, and Five Hundred and Forty-Seven $\frac{08}{100}$ Dollars ($547.$ $\frac{08}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Forty-eight Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety-six $\frac{54}{100}$ Dollars ($48,696.$ $\frac{54}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Mint at Denver as shown by Memorandum dated May 18, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 22, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement the Ordinary Expense account of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at St. Louis, Mo. for the month ending April 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 22, 1889.

First Auditor
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Bullion accounts of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at St. Louis, Mo., for the Quarter ending March 31,

1889 rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by Law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. A. Kimball.
Director of the Mint.

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May 22, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, I. T.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper Accounting Officers of the Treasury for examination and settlement, an account of the Union Pacific Union Division Railway Co., for the transportation in the month of November 1888 from Council Bluffs to Granger of One Desk and File case, amounting to $11.34, consigned to your care payable from the appropriation for Wages and Contingent Expenses of your Office, fiscal year 1889. Duplicate S/A herewith.

Very respectfully,
Jas. A. Kimball
Director.

Similar letters except as here noted, to same address:

	(Oregon Short Line Division)			
	Granger to Nampa			
$8.52				
	Central Pacific (Southern Pacific Co.)			
				December
1888,	San Francisco to Ogden			one box of
lead,		45¢		

over

Union Pacific (Idaho Central branch) February 1889, Nampa & Boise City One Desk and Box Castings, $1.27.

Duplicate bill and R/R herewith.

Chicago St. Louis and Pittsburg February, 1889, Richmond Ind. & Chicago Ills. one Desk, $1.65

Duplicate bill and R/R herewith.

May 22, 1889.

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office, Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury for you to advertise in the "Statesman" of your City for proposals for supplies that will be required by your Office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

May 22, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office, Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

It has been an unwritten rule in the Mint Service not to appoint several members

of the same family & office in the same institution. The appointment of Mr. Allen Pride by yours of May 14, has not been approved until you have been reminded of the objection to such appointments, assuming that Mr. Allen Pride is a brother of the Clerk appointed by you.

I wait therefore to hear from you further on this subject.

Respectfully yours
Jas. C. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 2nd, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper Accounting Officers of the Treasury for examination and settlement, an account of the Central Pacific Southern Pacific Co. Railway Co. for the transportation in the Month of August, 1888, from San Francisco to Reno of 20000 lbs. of Nitric Acid, Amounting to $220.35 Consigned to your care, payable from the appropriation for Parting and Refining bullion.

Very respectfully,
Jas. C. Kimball
Director.

Similar letters, except as here noted, to same address:

San Francisco & Ogden	to Reno	$64.28	Supt. Sept. & Oct., 1888, Mint Supplies	

Contingent expenses of your Mint, fiscal year 1889.
Duplicate bills of lading herewith.

over

months of Sept. Oct. & Dec., 1888,
San Francisco & Reno Mint Supplies, $227.60
Contingent expenses of your Mint, fiscal year 1889 $5.35 and
from Darting and Refining bullion $222.25, Duplicate B/L herewith.

May 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury for you to advertise in the "Bulletin" of San Francisco and "Tribune" of your City for proposals for supplies that will be required by your Mint for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 22, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Col.

Sir:

I enclose herewith the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury for you to advertise in the "Republican" of your city for proposals for supplies that will be required by your Mint for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

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Telegram

Assayer in Charge Mint,
Denver Colo.

Ship no bullion to Philadelphia until advised that express rates have been fixed.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director Mint.

May 22, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Deposit-Memorandum dated May 18, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Denver, Shipment No. 27, dated May 14, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $48,820.78/100, Charges $124.24/100, and net value $48,696.54/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

May 22, 1889.

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

I enclose herewith the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury for you to advertise in the Helena "Daily Herald" for proposals for wood and coal that will be required by your office for the fiscal year ending June 30,

1890.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

May 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Sir:

I have concluded not to press the Secretary to take the responsibility of suspending the coinage of the one and three dollar gold pieces, but rather to leave the question of suspension to take its proper course before Congress.

While the Secretary is disposed to accept my views of the case, I wish to avoid annoyance to him through complaints from the few persons who are interested in the issue of these objectionable pieces, and have therefore concluded to do nothing in the matter for the present year.

The issue of "1889" proofs, therefore, can proceed as usual.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 22, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

As the Stationery division of the Department does not keep in stock the size of press copying book requested in your letter of the 17th instant, you are hereby authorized to purchase the same in your city. Please make note of this authority on face of voucher.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

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May 22, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint.
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper Accounting Officers of the Treasury for examination and settlement, an account of the Central Pacific (Southern Pacific Co.) Railway Co. for the transportation in the Month of August 1888, from Ogden to San Francisco of Stationery, amounting to $20.03 consigned to your care, payable from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses of your Mint fiscal year 1889.

Duplicate B/L herewith.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter, except as here noted, to same address:

October, 1888,
from Ogden to San Francisco Two Crates
Furnaces, $3.19

May 22nd, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Saint Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended March 31, 1889 has been examined in this Bureau and found to be correct in all particulars.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 22, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office.
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement your Ordinary Expense account for the month ending April 30th, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jad C. Kimball
Director

Similar letter, except as here noted, to same address:

+ Bullion accounts for the Quarter ending March 31, 1889, +

May 22, 1889.

G. W. Moss, Esq.
Agent Adams Express Company,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I have received your letter of the 18th instant enclosing account of the Adams Express Company for the transportation of gold bullion from the Mint at Denver, Col. to the Mint at Philadelphia during the month of April returned to you by this Bureau on the 16th instant for correction so as to conform with the contract rate of $2.- per thousand as per letter of this Bureau of October 20, 1885.

No notice having been given to this Bureau of the agreement entered into by the presidents of the several express companies on the 12th of February as to return of express rates to what-

therewere on the 1st day of May, 1886, no allowance can be made for the transportation of the bullion referred to in excess of the rate $2. per thousand, as it is understood this rate was to hold good until further notice.

I have approved and referred your account to the accounting officers, payment to be made at the rate of $2. per thousand dollars.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 22, 1889.

G. W. Moss, Esq.,
Agent Adams Express Co.,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I have received your letter of the 18th instant in which you state that after that date the rate for transporting gold bullion between Denver, Col. and Philadelphia will be $2.50 per $1000.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

May 23, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Bullion account of the Assayer-in-Charge of the U. S. Mint at Denver, Colo. for the Quarter ending March 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.